THE WEATHER
Local forecast: Partly cloudy to cloudy tonight and Sunday; fresh southwest winds.

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LAWRENCE BOYS

Partook Too Freely of Firewater

TWO PROBATIONERS SENT TO PRISON

Chelmsford Game Warden Was Charged With Drunkenness

Four Lawrence youths came to Lowell yesterday and indulged in some of the firewater that has been sending a few of the most strenuous to the city farm for the wormwood treatment. The boys from Lawrence were making things a bit lively about the Middlesex street station when Officers Dooley and Burke appeared on the scene. The officers gathered the quartette in and at the police station they gave the names, Fred Lajoie, Thomas H. Harmon, George Labelle and William T. Booth. In police court today they pleaded guilty of drunkenness and were ordered to pay fines of $2 each.

CLAIMED TWO PRISONERS.

The probation officer from the superior court, Mr. James Ramsay was in the police court today and claimed John White and Nellie Foster two of his probationists. White was arraigned yesterday and appealed from a common jail sentence. He was taken from the jail to the court room today because he said he wanted to withdraw his appeal. When he arrived in the court room he saw a fellow whom he thought would go his bonds and he was right about it. The fellow said he would and when White was called upon to speak instead of withdrawing his appeal he informed the court that he had a bondsman. Then it was that Mr. Ramsay showed his hands and when White realized what was about to happen he hastily turned the cold shoulder on his bondsman and withdrew his appeal. His move was in vain because Mr. Ramsay was there with the papers and he claimed Mr. White.

Nellie Foster was charged with the larceny of a skirt but the government's case was not sufficiently strong against her to warrant prosecution and the charge was placed on file. She too was taken in tow by Mr. Ramsay, she having failed to observe the conditions of her probation from the superior court.

HIS TIME IS UP.

John J. Moriarty, wearing a U. S. navy uniform, was before the court yesterday morning for drunkenness and was fined $2. He was in the dock again this morning. Deputy Welch said to the court that so far as he could learn Moriarty was all right except when he comes to Lowell and then he goes to the bad. He recommended that Moriarty be ordered in $200 for his appearance before the court on Monday morning.

"The court finds you guilty of drunkenness and you are ordered in $200 for your appearance before the court on Monday morning," said the clerk to Moriarty.

"My time will have expired before then," said Moriarty as he took his seat.

GAME WARDEN DRUNK.

Charles E. Wilson, a Chelmsford game warden, was charged with drunkenness and was released. A few months ago Mr. Wilson arrested two Lowell men whom he charged with breaking the game laws. "Even the sly game warden," said Deputy Welch, "is unable to cope with Lowell whiskey."

OTHER DRUNKEN OFFENDERS.

George Rainville hailed from Leominster, and when asked what he was doing in Lowell he replied that he was "just visiting." The court assured him there were other ways of enjoying his visit besides getting drunk. Rainville was fined $2. James Ryan, formerly of Dracut and late of Pennsylvania, allowed he had been drunk and his name went down on the $2 list. Other two dollar victims were: Alexander Stuart and John J. Maguire. Herbert D. Newton and Ernest Moran were fined $6 each.

The case against Peter Lamore, who was arrested on a paternity warrant, was dismissed.

Minnie Durant told the court that she did not expect any mercy but when a sentence to the prison for women at Sherborn was handed out she promptly appealed. Minnie belongs in New Hampshire and the last time she appeared in police court she promised to hike back to her old New Hampshire home, but she didn't hike. She was arrested in Doyle's alley and the officers said that Minnie wasn't a bit fussy as to her associates.

Track meet, L. H. S. vs. Alumni, at annex tonight.

INAUGURATION

Program of Exercises on Monday Morning

EXERCISES WILL BE WITHOUT DISPLAY

A Large Attendance is Expected

On Monday morning at 9.30 o'clock the mayor and city council for the year 1905 will be sworn into office and will proceed upon their new duties.

It is believed that this year's inaugural exercises will be attended by a greater crowd than for many years. The seating capacity of the aldermanic chamber in which the exercises take place is limited to about 280, though the number of invitations sent out yearly is greatly in excess of the seating capacity, for comparatively few of those invited attend though woe betide the mayor who neglects to send them an invitation.

This year's inauguration will be plain and modest and the floral display about the hall of former years will be omitted this year. The only floral adornments will be the boutonnieres that each member of the city council will wear in his buttonhole.

The mayors and the members of the city council-elect will assemble in the mayor's reception room at 8.30 o'clock and for an hour Mayor-Elect Casey will hold a reception. At 9.30 the line will be formed for the march to the aldermen's chamber, where the exercises will be held. The line will be led by City Messenger Pattee and Supt. of Police Moffatt, followed by Mayor-Elect Casey and Mayor Howe, Rev. Michael Ronan, who if able to be present will invoke divine blessing and Judge Hadley who will administer the oath of office. Rev. Fr. Ronan is ill today and if unable to attend on Monday his place will be filled by Rev. W. George Mullin of St. Peter's church.

Then will follow the ex-mayors of whom there are some 30 alive though all will not be able to attend. Following them will walk the members of the new city council who will take seats in a semi-circle around the mayor's desk at which will sit the two mayors, the judge and clergymen. Upon arriving at the threshold the city messenger will halt and announce, His Honor, the mayor, and mayor-elect and the city council of 1905. All will rise while the city council is taking its place. Mayor Howe will call to order and introduce the clergyman who will deliver the prayer. Then Judge Hadley will administer the oath of office to the mayor who in turn will administer it to the members of the city council. Then an order will be adopted for a joint convention forthwith for the purpose of hearing the mayor's inaugural address. Mayor Casey will then read the address.

After the reading of the inaugural the joint convention will dissolve and the common council will retire to its chamber and both branches will proceed with their work.

Meanwhile at 10 in the morning the overseers of the poor will assemble in their rooms in the basement and will organize while in the afternoon the school board will organize.

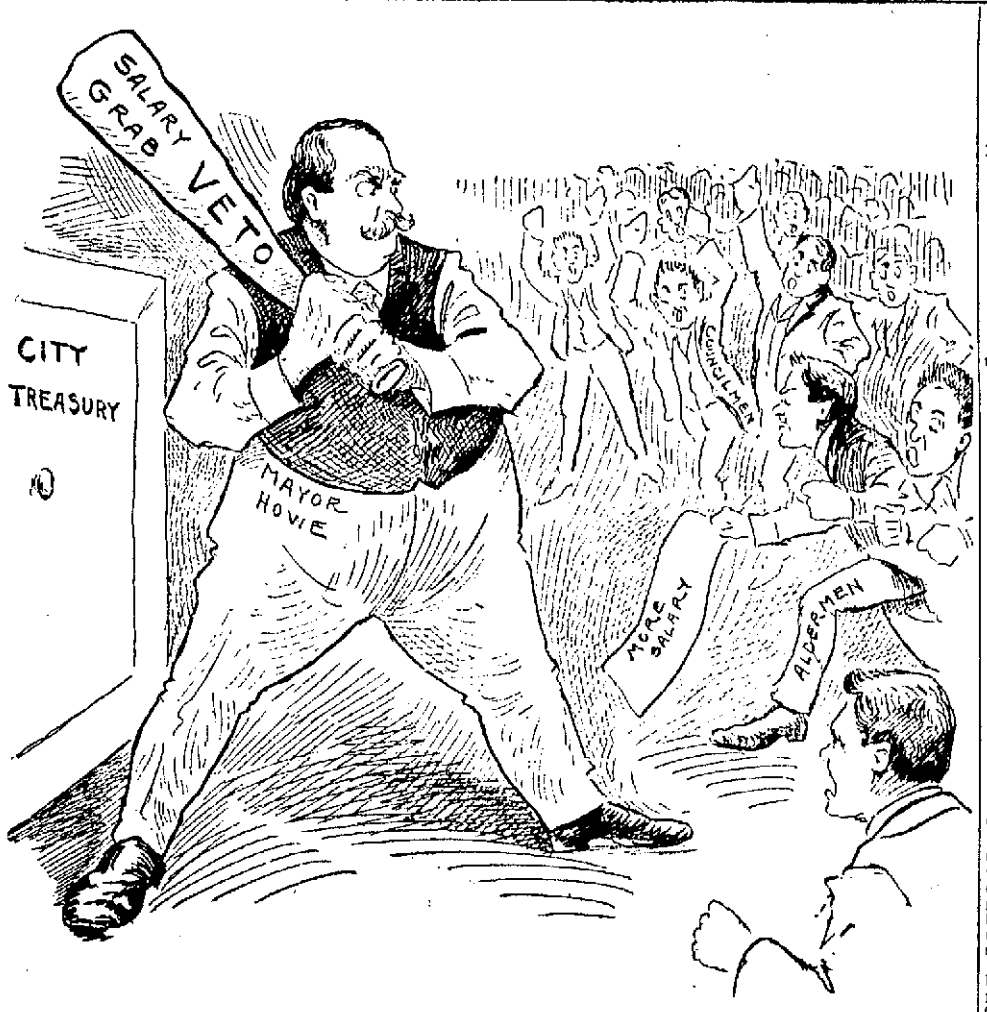
VIOLENT DEATHS

Reported by the New York Police

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Three hundred and thirty-one violent deaths classed by the police as homicides, were reported during the year just closing in New York county, which comprises the Island of Manhattan and the Bronx. The number of indictments filed in all these cases was only 61, and 13 of those indicted prisoners are still in the Tombs prison awaiting trial. Fifteen of the prisoners indicted were committed after trial. Six policemen were arrested during the year charged with homicide.

In addition to the 331 deaths reported and classed as homicides by the police more than a thousand lives were lost in the excursion steamer General Slocum disaster and the Hotel Darlington collapse, in both of which cases criminal proceedings are pending. The indictment against builder Allison in the Hotel Darlington case has never been served, however.

Tonight Lowell High vs. Alumni.



IS IT ANY WONDER THE MAYOR WAS OVERPOWERED?

THE BOOTT MILLS

Passed the Semi-Annual Dividend

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—The Boott cotton mills of Lowell have passed the semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent. usually paid at this time.

It is proposed to reorganize the finances of the corporation and a meeting of stockholders will be held here January 9.

Don't miss it. Track meet tonight.

PRESENTED TO KING

EMBASSY OFFICIALS RECEIVED BY EMANUEL

ROME, Dec. 31.—Ambassador Meyer being received by King Emanuel today on the occasion of the New Year's greetings, presented to His Majesty the American naval attache Lieut. Commander Wm. L. Howard, and Secretary Hilt, son of Congressman R. R. Hilt of Illinois. The King cordially returned the ambassador's greetings and conversed with him amiably. He was quite interested in Lieut. Commander Howard's medals especially in the one he received for participation in the battle of Manila. His majesty said the American navy was now largely represented at Rome, there being here three admirals, Rear Admiral John C. Watson, (retired); Rear Admiral Charles O'Neill, (retired) and Rear Admiral Charles S. Colton, (retired.) He also spoke about Panama, asking whether the canal would be built without locks.

FUNERALS

CLEGG—The funeral of the late Jas. Clegg took place at his residence, 125 London street, yesterday afternoon, and Rev. N. W. Matthews of the Primitive Methodist church officiated. The bearers were Joseph Platt, James T. Whitehead, William Buckley of No. Billerica and Robert Scott of Haverhill. Mr. Ernest Robinson had charge of the arrangements. J. A. Weinbeck was the undertaker. Burial was in the Edson cemetery. Deceased and bearers were former residents of Milnron, England.

LOISELLE—The funeral of the late Charles Loiselle took place yesterday from the home of his brother-in-law, Henri Chaput, 84 Aiken street. Funeral services were held at St. Louis' church, and Rev. Fr. Jacques officiated. The bearers were Alexandre, Joseph and Alfred Loiselle, brothers of the deceased; and Pierre Bourgeois, Eugene Gosselin and Henri Chaput, his brothers-in-law. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery. Rev. Fr. Gauthier officiated at the grave. Undertaker Amedee Archambault had charge.

O'CONNOR—The funeral of Susan O'Connor was held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the rooms of Undertaker Molloy, and burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery, where Rev. Fr. Carney officiated at the grave. Undertaker Molloy had charge.

MATRIMONIAL

John S. Daniels and Jennie B. Parker were united in marriage Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bridegroom, 658 Chelmsford street, the ceremony being performed by Rev. A. E. Kenyon, pastor of the Chelmsford street church.

Mr. Daniels is 63 years of age while his wife is almost half his age. The groom was a widower while his bride was a widow who has been keeping house for him for a considerable length of time. This was Mr. Daniels' fourth venture in the matrimonial line.

THIRTY YEARS

Of Married Life For Mr. and Mrs. Gentle

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Gentle observed the thirtieth anniversary of their wedding at their home, 29 Carter street last evening. Although their married life has gone into years that are five beyond the date set for what is known as the silver anniversary, yet Mr. and Mrs. Gentle thought that would make but little difference and the observance last evening took the form of a silver wedding. Their children, grandchildren and numerous friends helped the worthy couple enjoy the occasion of their arrival at the 30th milestone in matrimony's lane.

Among those present last evening was Rev. N. W. Matthews and besides offering his congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gentle he prayed for their future success and hoped that they would both live to celebrate their golden wedding. Eight children have blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Gentle. Four of the children are dead. The four living are: Mr. Joseph Gentle, Jr., Mrs. F. H. Nelson, and Gilman C. and George C. Gentle. They have two grandchildren, Frankie and George Gentle.

Friends were present from Boston, Lynn, and other places and the evening was one of great pleasure to all concerned. Refreshments were served and a musical program was followed by general dancing. Miss Ethel Bishop favored with piano solos. Other features of the entertainment included vocal and cornet solos. Mr. and Mrs. Gentle were the recipients of many beautiful presents and they were showered with the good wishes of their many friends.

After January First

Rooms No. 2 and No. 3. Associate Building, lately occupied by the Red, White and Blue Stamp Co., will be to rent. Applications for same may be made to the janitor.

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SILVER WEDDING

Anniversary Observed by Mr. and Mrs. Campbell

The well appointed home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Campbell, 13 Myrtle street, was the scene last evening of the observance of the 25th anniversary of their wedding and the occasion was a very pleasant one. Surrounded by their relatives and friends the happy couple drank in the sunshine of the occasion and received good wishes and congratulations with hearts filled with joy.

The worthy couple have traversed the matrimonial highway for many miles and as the distance posts were passed their happiness increased and it is the fondest wish of their many friends that they will live to reach their golden anniversary, twenty-five years hence, and that their love and courage may be as strong then as it is today.

The happy couple were the recipients, last evening, of many beautiful and useful presents including a purse of silver dollars, a great variety of silverware, and well selected china. Refreshments were served, the Misses Alice Stearns and Christina Campbell pouring.

Mr. Campbell is a prominent member of Clan Grant and he has a membership with Uncanoonuc Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Manchester, N. H. Mrs. Campbell is associated with the local lodge of Odd Ladies.

The ushers last evening were Messrs. James Brown and Archie Campbell.

Mr. Alvah Baxter of Maynard gave fine piano selections, and Mr. James Brown contributed tenor solos, Miss Christine Campbell soprano solos, and Miss Alice Stearns contralto solos.

Mrs. Campbell was Miss Annie Pettigrew of Glasgow, Scotland, where the wedding ceremony was solemnized 25 years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell came to America with their family in 1888, and made Manchester, N. H., their home, coming to Lowell six years ago.

Mr. Campbell is the genial janitor of the Bon Marche building.

There are five children; Archie, Annie, now Mrs. James Brown; Christine, Robert, Jr., and Jessie, who all reside with their parents.

RAN INTO CAR

NARROW ESCAPE OF THREE BOYS ON LAWRENCE LINE.

The coolness and prompt action of Motorman Albert Taylor, of this city, probably resulted in the saving of the lives of three Lawrence boys in the down river city yesterday afternoon.

Motorman Taylor left Haverhill yesterday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock and everything went all right until he reached the corner of Prospect and Perry streets in Lawrence. Just as he was about to cross Perry street his attention was attracted to a double runner on which there were three boys. The double runner was coming down the hill at a high rate of speed. The boy who was steering seemed to have lost control of the sled. Motorman Taylor instantly applied the air brakes, hoping to bring the car to a standstill and avert a collision, but he was too late as before his car was stopped it was directly in the path of the double runner, which hit the front truck of the car with great force, breaking it into kindling wood, and throwing the boys on all sides.

The passengers who had seen the danger rushed out but were surprised to find none of the boys badly hurt, in spite of their severe shock. They had a narrow escape from death under the car wheels. The motorman's nerves received a bad shock at the thought of the car running over the boys.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

LATEST

DR. L. S. CHADWICK

Taken From Steamer to Cleveland, Ohio

Says He Knows Nothing of the Charges Against His Wife—Is Greatly Shocked by the Whole Affair

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick reached here on the Pretoria this morning and will go to Cleveland by the Pennsylvania railroad this afternoon. He will not be placed under arrest at all but will go as the guest of Sheriff Edwin D. Barry, who is an old friend. "There will be no arrest or even detention," Mr. Barry said.

Dr. Chadwick, who had previously been informed of his indictment and probable arrest consented to return to Cleveland without formality.

Dr. Chadwick gave the Associated Press a long interview on his arrival. In reply to questions he said:

"I am inexpressibly shocked by the recent turn of events. I am innocent of all charges against me and I can point with pride to 35 years' residence in Cleveland. I cannot believe that the dreadful things printed by the papers are true. I am entirely without information as to the case except what I read in the Paris papers and what you have been good enough to tell me. So I can say nothing of the awful charges against my wife.

"Oh, this is awful, awful, awful! My life the past few weeks has been a living death and I hope no man will ever go through what I have undergone. To think that my professional career which had always been successful should be blighted. My daughter Mary, poor little darling. I love her with my life. When I recovered from my illness in Paris, my financial resources made it necessary for me to travel in the second cabin. I insisted that she go first, but the noble girl refused and has kept at my side, cheering me in my dark hour of trouble and proving to me, more and more, what a splendid woman she is.

"Oh, this is a dreadful calamity. I had no idea that such a fate was mine. I know little of Mrs. Chadwick's financial affairs and when I find out the details will say nothing. I am overwhelmed by the charges against her."

Dr. Chadwick read the Associated Press dispatch from Cleveland that Mrs. Chadwick had been measured by the Bertillon system. As he finished the reading, he groaned aloud and as he turned to the correspondent tears rolled down his cheeks.

The doctor, already ill and sore at heart, was completely overwhelmed by the revelation and the consequent developments. "That is the last straw," he said, "measuring her in that way. "Oh, that I am brought to this. You tell me that my friend, Mr. Barry, is here to take me back. Well, I am ready to go and shall be happy to accompany him. I know I should find troubles and breakers abroad, but I never for a moment anticipated arrest. Guilty? Of course I am not guilty. I am absolutely innocent, and you say poor old Beckwith is very ill. Poor man. I knew him but little, but I am sure he is innocent."

The correspondent then told Dr. Chadwick of the statement that had been made that Mrs. Chadwick is said to be Mme. De Vere. The physician fell back as if stunned.

"Mme. De Vere," he cried.

"Oh, oh, no, don't say that. That cannot be so. I do not believe that such a thing can be possible. If she is, I have never suspected it, and I cannot for a moment believe it."

"Do you think Mrs Chadwick can be guilty as accused?" was asked.

"I cannot think her guilty of anything. I don't know the charges but she cannot be guilty."

When asked about the son, Emil Hoover Chadwick, the doctor said:

"Emil is one of the grandest boys I ever knew. I have never had to correct him and I love him as if he were my own. It is like him to stand by his mother so closely. I have been blessed by my daughter and stepson."

When asked about his financial resources he said:

"If what the papers say is true, I am a penniless pauper."

DEATHS

COWHIG—Mrs. Ellen Cowhig, an old and well-known resident of this city, and a much esteemed member of St. Patrick's parish, died yesterday afternoon at her home, 98 School street, aged 70 years. Deceased was the wife of John Cowhig, and besides her husband, she leaves one daughter, Miss Mary, cashier and bookkeeper in Gilbride's store, and one son, Brother Norbert, superior of the Xaverian brothers, Baltimore, Md., who was at her bedside when she passed away.

The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, from her late home. Friends invited.

CORBY—Catherine Corby, aged two years and ten months, child of William and Mary, died this morning at the home of her parents, 8 Chapel street.

LANE—The funeral of Martin Lane will take place Monday morning at 8.30 o'clock from his home. A mass of requiem will be celebrated at 9.30 o'clock at St. Andrew's church in North Billerica.

JOHNSON—Miss Frankie E. Johnson, for many years book keeper in the Tremont & Suffolk mills, died yesterday at her home, 085 Merrimack street, aged 58 years. The deceased was a native of Vershire, Vt., but had resided in Lowell 35 years. She was a popular and devoted member of the Worthen Street Methodist church. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Eliza J. Johnson and one brother, Leroy H. Johnson of New Haven, Conn., and a brother, Charles L., of Keene, N. H., to whom is extended the sympathy of her large circle of friends.

The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon. Prayers at the house at 3 o'clock and services at the Worthen Street Methodist church at 2.30. Friends are invited.

HANNAFIN—The remains of Thomas Hannafin, who died in Kansas City, Mo., arrived here this morning, and were taken to the funeral chapel of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons, from where the funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

MANY KILLED BY HURRICANE

BRUSSELS, DEC. 31.—MANY PERSONS WERE KILLED OR INJURED IN BELGIUM BY A TERRIFIC HURRICANE YESTERDAY, WHICH ALSO CAUSED MUCH DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.

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Interest Begins Jan. 3rd
Hours—8 a.m. till 4 p.m. Saturdays, 8 a.m. till 1 p.m., and 7 to 8 p.m.

STEAL GOVERNORSHIP

That is the Plan of Colorado Republicans

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 30.—Chief Justice Gabbert today announced the decision of the supreme court to grant the petition of Governor-elect Alva Adams for the opening of all the ballot boxes used in Denver at the late election and a full investigation of all frauds. Mr. Adams' object in filing the petition was to secure a legal determination of the question whether he or James H. Peabody is entitled to fill the office of governor for the next two years.

Announcements of the managers of the republican post election campaign indicate their confidence that the legislature in which at the outset on joint ballot there will be sixty-six republicans to thirty-three democrats, will throw out enough democratic precincts in Denver to overcome A. Adams' 10,000 plurality for governor and declare Governor James H. Peabody re-elected. These republican leaders justify such action on the claim that in all the democratic precincts frauds were perpetrated. The democratic leaders assert that the ballot boxes of the five precincts opened in court have been stuffed since the election in support of a corporation conspiracy to steal the governorship and senate and pack the supreme court which is to be increased from three justices to seven on April 4 next. On the day after election, according to the returns, the incoming senate consisted of 21 democrats and 14 republicans. Through subsequent decisions of the supreme court and state board of canvassers the standing of the parties in the senate has been changed until it now consists of 19 republicans and 15 democrats, with one vacancy.

Now the republican managers announce that the senate will probably unseat 6 more democrat members including two seated by the democratic majority two years in April for the unseating of democratic representatives by the republican majority in the house in a futile endeavor to obtain a majority of joint ballot and defeat the election of United States Senator Teller.

One of the first acts of the legislature, it is reported may be the adoption of a memorial to the United States senate, asking for the expulsion of Senator Teller on the ground that his election was accomplished by means of gross frauds at the polls in this city two years ago. Senator Teller is now enroute to Washington carrying with him the record of the contempt cases before the supreme court here, also the necessary papers to issue out a writ of error and apply for a supersedas before the United States court in behalf of the imprisoned election officers who were convicted of contempt by the state supreme court. Warrants have been issued from the supreme court for eight more persons in election contempt cases.

LAST CALL

"THE YELLOW YEAR IS HASTING TO ITS CLOSE."

FROM YESTERDAY'S LATE EDITION

TWO LAWYERS

Had Words and One Had His Nose Pulled

If a certain lawyer in this town was as good as his word there would have been a duel with fists in the hall of the Market street building a few evenings ago. The lawyer made his threat in the court of second sessions but when asked to make good he said: "I'm not that kind of a man."

He had threatened to knock the head from off the shoulders of a brother lawyer and the young man whom he addressed said: "I will give you a chance to make good when this case is through with."

They were trying a case and were on opposite sides. Something was said that one lawyer took objections to and it was then that the "I'll knock your head off" was sprung.

The man who was threatened was the first to leave the court room and he waited in the hall for his vicious opponent. The latter tried to make his escape some other way, but couldn't and had to face the music. As soon as he entered the hall the other lawyer said to him: "Now, sir, you have the opportunity to make good your threat."

"I'm not that kind of a man," said the other fellow.

"That's what I thought," said the man who had been threatened and as he spoke he grabbed the other fellow by the nose and tweedled it vigorously. His action was accompanied by words of opinion and as no resistance was offered the incident closed.

GO ON THERE!

HORSEMEN PREPARE YOUR STEEDS FOR THE ICE.

Now for brushes on the ice!

There's a three-quarter mile track on the Merrimack river near the boulevard in the pink of condition and local horsemen should take advantage of it at once.

The stretch has been flooded and those who have tried it say that it is O. K. A call has been sent out to the lovers and promoters of the sport to get their horses ready for tomorrow afternoon.

While a good many good horses are owned in Lowell, horse racing, the king of all sports, does not seem to have caught on like minor sports. If the horsemen would get together and give a few exhibitions they would soon have a crowd in sympathy with them. Come one! Come all!

MUNICIPAL PLANT

NEW YORK CITY TO OPERATE LIGHTING PLANT.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Legal opinions that New York city has authority under its charter to build and operate an electric lighting plant were received by the board of estimate and apportionment today from corporation counsel, Delaney and ex-Judge Dillon. The board thereupon authorized a commission to make plans for such a plant. The move is an outgrowth of alleged extortionate charges for city lighting by local gas companies.

FUNERALS

SWIFT—Died Dec. 29, Robert H. Swift, aged 27 years, 2 months and 22 days. The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon at two o'clock from his late home in East Chelmsford. Friends invited.

Ladies

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STOLEN TEAM

One Recovered Here Belonged in Boston

Two weeks ago two young men, described as thugs, drove a team into H. W. Johnson's stable in this city and ordered that the horse be taken care of for the night. That was the last seen of the two young men and the horse and carriage remained at the livery stable.

Yesterday the local police received a circular from the Boston police describing the outfit. The minute that the circular was unfolded at the police station here it was known that the team at Johnson's stable was the team mentioned in the circular.

James Kennedy, an expressman with an office at 90 Canal street, Boston, owns the team. It was stolen from in front of his office two weeks ago. When the horse was driven into Johnson's stable by the two young men the poor animal was almost too tired to stand and lay down immediately upon entering the stall. Mr. Kennedy came to Lowell today accompanied by a Boston officer, and he was pleased to find his horse in such good condition.

The horse that was on his last legs two weeks ago, was feeling frisky as a colt today and left the stable on his hind legs. The Lowell police are wondering why the Boston police waited two weeks before sending out circulars describing the stolen team.

HOWE FOR CHIEF

Mayor Mentioned For Police Dept. Berth

Some one, evidently a joker, started a rumor today to the effect that Mayor Howe, upon his retirement from city hall, will be appointed superintendent of police to succeed Superintendent Moffatt.

And perhaps that rumor didn't fly about down town. Everyone was asking about it but none could tell where it originated.

"It's a pipe," said one.

"Nothing to it. Charlie Howe wants to be a police commissioner, not superintendent," said another.

"The mayor doesn't want that job. He wants to run for county commissioner next year," quoth a third.

And thus they discussed the innocent little rumor which someone evidently a joker put in circulation this noon.

DEATHS

JOHNSON—Miss Frankie E. Johnson, aged 53 years, died this morning at her home, 985 Merrimack street. The deceased was a prominent member of the Worthen Street M. E. church and was well known throughout the city. She is survived by a mother, Mrs. Louise Johnson of New Haven, Conn., also two brothers, Leroy L. Johnson and Charles L. Johnson, the former of New Haven and the latter of Keene, N. H.

LANE—Martin Lane, aged 77 years, an old resident of Billerica Centre, passed away at noon today. He leaves a wife and four daughters to mourn his loss.

COTTON GINNED

REPORT ISSUED BY THE CENSUS BUREAU.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The final bulletin of the census bureau on cotton ginned in the United States up to December 13, issued today, places the number of bales at 11,971,477, counting round bales as half bales. The items are: 11,717,403 square; 276,692 round; and 85,728 sea island.

The total number of all kinds of bales reported was 12,109,823. These figures cover the reports made by the agents of the census bureau up to December 13, last, and are the total for that canvass. Up to the same date in 1903, 86.8 of the entire crop had been ginned, while in 1902, 81 per cent. had been ginned up to that date.

There will be two or more canvasses; one taking the work up to January 16 next and a final one up to a date in March.

MIRACLE WORKER

GOT AWAY WITH MONEY AND A WATCH.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Julia Cooper, colored, of 226 West Sixty-fourth street, has a child, and the child has the measles. Yesterday afternoon a tall negro called at her home and announced his intention of curing the child.

Mrs. Cooper told him to go ahead. He began by praying, ordering Mrs. Cooper to kneel at the side of the crib. Mrs. Cooper is a stout woman and her knees ached terribly before the half hour prayer had ended. Then the healer asked for a Bible. There wasn't one, and Mrs. Cooper went up to the top floor and borrowed one. When the Bible was handed to the tall darky healer he turned to Mrs. Cooper and said:

"The principle of Christian Science is sacrifice. You must give up all you got and everything you think about."

The mother expressed a willingness to give up thinking, but the healer wanted more sacrifice than that, and suggested her watch and money. It would be only a temporary sacrifice, he said, to be returned when the Lord had healed the child.

Mrs. Cooper handed over watch and money—$7—and the healer put them between the Acts of the Apostles and the Epistle to the Romans and tucked the Bible under the pillow on which the head of the sick child rested. Then he left the house, cautioning Mrs. Cooper not to touch the Bible until the infant was well.

After three hours, with no abatement of the fever, Mrs. Cooper began, first, to resume thinking and next to worry about her watch and money. When she looked they were gone. She called in a doctor and the police.

$1150 DAMAGE

CHILD WAS BITTEN BY A DOG.

SALEM, Dec. 30.—It has been decided by a jury in the superior court that Lewis Thorner, of Marblehead, must pay $1,150 to Mrs. Sally M. Scott, of Marblehead, for damages to a child by a dog bite.

Thorner was the owner of a dog that bit a niece of Mrs. Scott, causing injury to her cheek and a certain nervous shock. Later the girl was stricken with diphtheria and died, and it was alleged that the fright occasioned by the dog greatly aggravated the disease. Mrs. Scott, as administratrix of the estate of the girl, brought suit.

POLICY ON CZAR'S LIFE.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—It transpired today that the only foundation for the story of the heavy insurance of the life of Emperor Nicholas at Lloyds here by holders of Russian bonds was the fact that an individual yesterday proposed to take out a policy for $5000 on his majesty's life at fifteen guineas per thousand a year. He today took out a policy for $2500 at that rate.

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TURNS OUT WIFE

NEW HAVEN PHYSICIAN IN STATE OF COLLAPSE.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 30.—Dr. Thomas J. Bergin, whose wife was arrested and then bailed at Jersey City, collapsed from nervous exhaustion, and is now under the charge of a nerve specialist.

The Cushing worthless check is not the only one of his wife's which he has been called upon to straighten out. Since her arrest he has been deluged with her bills and financial obligations.

Dr. Bergin has sent word to his wife that he does not wish to see her again. He is at his parent's home on Howard avenue. His wife, who arrived from Jersey City, went to the house where he has his office on Orange street. Dr. Bergin has asked her to vacate the premises.

Mrs. Bergin is a mystery here in New Haven. It has now developed that Dr. Bergin eloped with Mrs. Bergin, who was Mrs. Hanley of Jersey City, two years ago. Dr. Bergin's parents have never received Mrs. Bergin, and neither have his friends.

Mrs. Bergin has advertised a sale to take place today, at which she will sell her household furniture, rugs, paintings, vases and bric-a-brac. Meanwhile she has given out a statement in which she says:

"The statements published about me in regard to this affair are absolutely false. I never confessed to passing a worthless check. I have in my possession a note given me by Mr. Cushing of Jersey City, who caused my arrest, in which he ordered his clerk to pay me the $1500 in question. I have securities in the Lincoln Trust company in New York which will be available on January 1 to meet all my obligations. This whole matter will be settled in two or three days."

Dr. Bergin is one of the most popular physicians in New Haven and belongs to several clubs. He is only 27 years of age, while his wife is 38.

MINISTER THOMPSON

WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO MEXICO.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—David E. Thompson of Nebraska, now minister to Brazil, will about Sept. 1, be transferred as ambassador to Mexico, succeeding Edwin H. Conger, who soon will go from China to Mexico. It is understood to be Mr. Conger's intention to resign after about six months' service at his new post and become a candidate for governor of Iowa.

Frank H. Mason, now counsel general to Berlin, will succeed John K. Gowdy as consul general to Paris and John Lewis Griffiths of Indianapolis, Ind., will succeed Mr. Mason at Berlin.

SUES FOR $100,000.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Charles F. Madison has begun action in court to recover $100,000 from E. G. Stoddard, millionaire banker, of New Haven. Madison says he suffered by "false and infamous statements". The complaint says that on Dec. 17, 1902, Stoddard said to him: "You are a perjurer and a forger. You ought to be behind the bars." Madison alleged this injured his character and good name.

Dr. and Mrs. B. R. Benner, of this city, have returned to their home after spending the holidays in Concord, N. H.

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AGAINST CURLEY

Bill Presented by Rep. Thayer

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—A bill designed to prevent persons who have served a criminal or civil sentence from being a candidate for an elective office was filed today with the clerk of the house of representatives by State Representative Frank Thayer of this city. The bill has a bearing upon the cases of Representative Thomas F. Curley and Alderman James M. Curley of Boston, who are now in jail in punishment for having fraudulently represented others in taking civil service examinations. Both the Curleys were members of their respective bodies the past year and both were re-elected. Rep. Tayler's bill provides that no citizen of the commonwealth should be a candidate for any elective office whether national, state or municipal, who in the five years preceding shall have served any criminal or civil sentence except imprisonment for contempt of court. A punishment of from one to five years is provided for should the act be violated. While the bill, if accepted would not in itself debar the Curleys from holding office next year it will debar them from posing as candidates for the next five years.

BOND OF $50,000

May Irwin Will Bail Nan Patterson

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—May Irwin, the actress, has offered to furnish bail in any amount up to $50,000 for the release of Nan Patterson from the Tombs prisons, where she is now held charged with the murder of Caesar Young, according to an announcement made by Miss Patterson's counsel.

Miss Irwin called at the Tombs prison today and left a letter addressed to Miss Patterson and the announcement followed Miss Irwin's departure.

When District Attorney Jerome was shown the offer of bail, he said he was not prepared to say what course the prosecution would take. Miss Patterson's bail before the recent mistrial was $20,000 but after the jury's disagreement she was remanded without bail.

REAL ESTATE SALES

FOR THE WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 30, 1904.

LOWELL.

Guy W. Currier to John W. McEvoy, land corner Westford and Pine streets, $1.

Rose Dextra to Arthur Genest, land with buildings on Riverside street, $1.

Ferdinand Rodliff to Allen Fraser, land on McKinley avenue, $1.

TEWKSBURY.

Luella I. Lewis to Fred G. McGregor, land with buildings on Concord street, $1.

CHELMSFORD.

Lowell Cooperative bank to William Welsh, land with buildings in North Chelmsford, $1650.

Emma E. Varnum to Gustaf Carlson, land near Golden Cove road, $1.

WILMINGTON.

Jacob W. Wilbur to James T. Smith, land at Silver Lake park, $1.

WESTFORD.

Abel C. Whittier to William H. Palmer, land on South road and on Beaver brook meadow, $1.

CONFERENCE ENDED

LAST SESSION OF MODERN LANGUAGE ASSOCIATION.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 30.—The Modern Language association of America, which began its sessions in Rockefeller hall on Wednesday, concluded the conference today.

The morning session opened with the presentation of reports from committees, following which came the election of a president and vice-presidents. Honorary members also were nominated.

The papers read and discussed during the forenoon were:

"A museum gallery for the study of the drama," by Prof. Brander Matthews, Columbia; "The Horse in the Popular Epic," by Dr. Murray A. Potter, Harvard; "The Scansion of Prosrythm," by Prof. F. N. Scott, University of Michigan; and "The Detection of Personality in Literature," by Dr. Sylvanus G. Morley, Harvard.

In the afternoon, the papers and speakers were as follows:

"The Hermit and the Saint," by Gordon H. Gerould, Bryn Mawr; "Some features of Style in Narrative French Poetry (1150-70)," by Frederick M. Warren, Yale; "The Prologue to the Legend of Good Women, as related to the Marguerite poems and the Filostrato," by John L. Howes, Harvard; "The Literary Genre, an Idolon Libri," by Dr. Albert Ichinz, Bryn Mawr; and "The Comparative Study of Words in Foreign Languages," by Prof. Willis A. Chamberlain, Dennison University.

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SWALLOWED A PIN

Nashua Man Victim of a Peculiar Accident

NASHUA, N. H., Dec. 30.—After an operation which followed the coughing up of a pin swallowed twenty years ago, Harry F. Healey is dead at his home in this city. When Healey was 18 years old he was playing baseball and during the game swallowed a small black-headed pin. He never felt any inconvenience from the accident until a few days ago, when he was seized with a violent fit of coughing and finally threw up the pin. The violence of the coughing so affected his internal organs that an operation was necessary but this failed to save his life. Healey was 38 years old and leaves a widow. He came here a few months ago from Chelsea, Mass., where he had lived for 12 years.

HE WAS KILLED

Section Hand Struck by Train

MIDDLEBORO, Mass., Dec. 30.—While trying to save a hand-car from being hit by a locomotive on the N. Y., N. H and H. railroad near the local station today, Batiste Bernier, a section hand, was struck by the engine and killed. Bernier and other section hands were on the car when they saw the locomotive coming. They jumped off but Bernier went back to make an effort to pull the hand-car off the track. The locomotive was not damaged. Bernier was a Frenchman and leaves a widow and five children.

DROWNED AT SEA

Thomas Harbin Probably Jumped Overboard

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 30—Upon the arrival here today of the steamship Indian from Boston, it was reported that Thomas Harbin, a passenger, had been drowned at sea. Harbin, whose home was at Braintree, Mass., disappeared from the steamship near Block Island and it is thought he committed suicide on account of domestic troubles. This belief is based on the fact that a telegram received here today, for Harbin in care of the steamship company urged that he return home at once and all would be forgiven. The telegram was signed by Harbin's father.

MAY BE ILLEGAL

NEW PHASE OF THE BISHOP TALBOT CASE.

BOSTON, Dec. 30—Charles G. Saunders of Lawrence, one of the leading authorities on canon law of the Episcopal church, is of the opinion that proceedings instituted under the old laws will be uncanonical after January 1, the day the new canons adopted at the triennial convention in Boston in October become effective. In this opinion, Mr. Saunders is in apparent agreement with Rev. Dr. John Fulton, a canonical authority of Philadelphia, who raised the point that the proceedings brought under the old canons against Rt. Rev. Ethelbert Talbot, bishop of Central Pennsylvania, in the interest of Revs. I. N. W. Irvine, a deposed clergyman, will be illegal after tomorrow. The opinion of Mr. Saunders is considered important as he was secretary of the commission on the revision of the canons and the member of the last house of deputies who formally presented the revised laws to that body.

There is no provision in the new canons for the disposition of cases begun under the old laws and which may be pending when the revised canons go into effect. The person, who has authority to act in such an emergency is the Rt. Rev. Daniel E. Tuttle, bishop of Missouri, and the presiding bishop of the church. If Bishop Tuttle decides that the existing presentment against Bishop Talbot is irregular the present proceedings can be dropped and a new presentment made under the provisions of the revised canons.

ONE MAN KILLED

TWELVE PERSONS INJURED IN WRECK OF CAR.

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 30.—In the wreck on the Canadian Northern snow plow train at Orosina, 60 miles from here, B. Lindlater has been killed and a dozen persons injured. The caboose overturned and burned. Twenty persons were imprisoned in the caboose and they were rescued with difficulty. Several of them were seriously burned.

SCIENTISTS MEET.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30—The convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science practically ended with today's session. Tomorrow the general body will hold a meeting to transact routine business, but the presentation and discussion of papers terminated today.

The general organization met today in the chapel of the University of Pennsylvania and after a brief business, the various sections and affiliated societies began their meetings.

WILL THROWN OUT

Surrogate Says Coercion Was Used

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The will made on March 26 last, 18 days before her death, by Mrs. Sarah J. Hassett Choate, while stupefied by drink and morphine, was refused for probate yesterday by Surrogate Thomas, who at the same time decided to admit a previous will, made on May 7, 1903. By the terms of the latter instrument Mrs. Choate's $150,000 estate was distributed in liberal shares among her numerous nephews and nieces. The other will, signed, as Surrogate Thomas says, when she was neither physically nor mentally competent, made Mrs. Thomas H. Ronayne, a niece, the principal legatee.

Mrs. Choate was advanced in years, and the evidence showed, as Surrogate Thomas remarks in his decision, that in her latter days she was stupefied with opium and alcohol, her death being momentarily expected. Mrs. Ronayne and her husband, says the surrogate, were evidently inflamed with a desire to secure the execution of the will favoring Mrs. Ronayne, and used methods and influence which amounted, says the surrogate, almost to coercion.

For the last five months of her life Mrs. Choate suffered from morbid delusions and was constantly under care of doctor and nurse. Her relatives knew nothing of the will of May, 1903. On March 13 the second will was brought to her house for signature, but the nurse refused to allow her to be disturbed.

Subsequently, on March 26, while she was in bed, several relatives visited her, among them Henry Armstrong, a nephew, and Mrs. Ronayne. There was considerable drinking of champagne and whiskey and the party finally became so boisterous, owing to a quarrel between Armstrong and Mrs. Ronayne, that Mrs. Choate asked the nurse to call the police.

About 11 o'clock that night the relatives departed, without having laid the will before Mrs. Choate, and she then took her nightly hypodermic injection of morphine; after she had drunk considerable quantity of wine and liquor.

From the stupor in which she slept Mrs. Choate was forcibly awakened a few hours later, and the will favoring Mrs. Ronayne was read over to her and presented to her for her signature. She conceived the fancy that her mother, who was long dead, still lived, and objected to the will because it contained no bequest to the mother. On being reassured on this point she affixed her signature to the instrument and went back to sleep. The witnesses, says Surrogate Thomas, evidently affixed their signatures later.

In the morning the old woman had forgotten all about the will, and denied flatly ever having signed it. She lingered then until April 13, and the will she had signed, apparently unconsciously, was immediately offered for probate. It was not until some weeks later that the older will was discovered and that the full circumstances under which the second one was procured were disclosed.

GOING TO THE CONGO.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Herbert T. Bridgman of Brooklyn, N. Y., leaves London tonight for the Congo. At Cairo, Mr. Bridgman joins J. J. Harrison, the explorer and big game hunter, whence they will both proceed to the Congo. Mr. Bridgman will personally investigate the affairs of the Independent state.

A FURIOUS GALE

Swept Over the United Kingdom

LONDON, Dec. 30.—A fierce gale from the Atlantic swept over the United Kingdom this morning. Mountainous seas are reported along the coast.

At Stornoway, outer Hebrides, the Danish steamer Alabama dragged her anchors in a gale and stranded on peninsula point. Her engine room and the stoke hold sections are flooded, she is leaking forward and has listed to star-board.

A small vessel with a crew of ten men foundered during the gale off Flamborough head, Yorkshire, on the north sea. Several minor shipping accidents have been reported.

Much damage has been done inland, telephone and telegraph lines are down and communications are interrupted with the provinces and some parts of the continent.

SENT TO WAVERLY

New York Woman Ordered Committed

BOSTON, Dec. 30—Mrs. Dagmar Baagoe, wife of Frederick Baagoe, a New York druggist was ordered committed to the hospital at Waverly today by Judge Braley in the supreme judicial court. For some time, Mrs. Baagoe had been confined in an insane asylum att Worcester, at the instance of her husband. The matter was brought to the supreme court by the woman's mother and sister, who live at Brooklyn, and who asked for a judicial order for the release of Mrs. Baagoe on the ground that she was not in fact insane. Early this month, the court granted the petition with the understanding that Mrs. Baagoe would be cared for until today, by her relatives at Worcester under the supervision of a physician. As a result of the reports made Judge Braley, he ordered that the woman be sent to the hospital at Waverly.

WEALTHY HUSBAND

SAID TO HAVE GIVEN HIS WIFE $2 A WEEK.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30—The divorce suit recently filed by Mrs. Ettie Kowalsky was opened in Judge Sloss's court but on motion of Colonel H. I. Kowalsky, brother of and attorney for the defendant, the proceedings were set over until a later date to be fixed by the court. When the case is again taken up it will be conducted behind closed doors, as was ordered by Judge Sloss on motion of Attorney Kowalsky.

Joseph Kowalsky was formerly a prominent shoe merchant of this city, but is now engaged in dealing in stocks. One charge Mrs. Kowalsky makes against her husband is that he is penurious. According to her complaint her husband is worth $132,000 but she alleges that while she lived with him he gave her but $2 a week to spend and made her account to a penny for every investment. In addition to this the complaint contains specific charges of cruelty.

In his answer and cross-complaint Kowalsky denies all of his wife's assertions and charges her with cruelty toward him. Kowalsky states that the day after the wedding his wife "bitterly, severely and cruelly" upbraided him without any cause or reason. This treatment, he charges, has often been repeated since.

Kowalsky denies that he is worth $100,000 and sets his fortune as $38,000. His wife's assertion that he is in receipt of $650 a month is also denied, the defendant claiming he draws but $260 monthly.

O'DONNELL WILL

$500,000 LEFT TO CATHOLIC INSTITUTION.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30—Upholding the will of Neal O'Donnell, the jury in the second trial of the famous O'Donnell will case, gave the $500,000 left by the octogenarian cooper to seventy institutions of the Roman Catholic church yesterday, and cut off the niece of the testator, Rebecca O'Donnell, and the rest of the contesting relatives with the small bequests originally designated in the instrument.

Thus ends the famous will contest, which came into notoriety through the efforts of Juror No. 5, Leo Cohen, last month to secure $2000 from one of the contestants to get a verdict.

Cohen and his go-between, Herbert L. Kamber, were arrested and the case was ordered to a new trial.

The fortune which goes to the Roman Catholic church was amassed quietly by Hugh and Neal O'Donnell, who lived for fifty-two years together and by agreement made identical wills.

Each gave to the other all his real and personal property, with bequests to surviving brothers and the sister, Rebecca, known as Sister Mary Rose, superintendent of the Providence Retreat, at Buffalo. The residuary estate, divided into 250 parts was distributed among seventy Roman Catholic institutions. Ten parts were given to Archbishop Corrigan for the propagation of the faith.

Hugh O'Donnell died in April, 1902; his brother followed him in two weeks. Consequently, the united estate of both became the property, under the wills, of the church.

MAY LOSE CARGO

BRITISH STEAMER BROKEN IN TWO AMIDSHIPS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The British steamer Drumelzier which went aground on the sand bar off Oak Island during the storm last Sunday has broken fairly in two amidships and it is believed that much of her valuable cargo will be a total loss. Today the waves continued to run so high that wrecking tugs and barges which had been sent out to lighter the cargo could not approach her and they withdrew to await more favorable conditions.

PREPARING ANNUAL REPORT.

Chief Hosmer and Assistant Chief Norton of the local fire department are busily engaged preparing the annual report of their department.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

RAIDED A STILL

It Was Run by a Woman

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Internal Moore on Wednesday swooped down moore on Wednesday swooped down upon the two story dwelling house of a blacksmith named Benjamin Epstein at 146 Seigel street, Brooklyn, seized the $5000 house and blacksmith shop, Benjamin and his wife and a sixty gallon still that Mrs. Epstein was operating.

All this came about because Epstein refused to support his 88-year-old mother-in-law, who recently arrived from Russia. They say Epstein is sorry now, and Epstein admits it.

By the hardest kind of saving Mrs. Epstein accumulated enough money to send steamship passage to her aged mother in Russian Poland. The old woman arrived a few months ago and Benjamin Epstein was far from pleased.

"I cannot hammer horseshoes all day to support the old woman," he said bitterly one day.

"But Benjy," protested Mrs. Epstein, "she is such a very small expense and is not long for this world. Dost thou forget our duty to parents?"

"She is not my parent," sulked Benjy, "and I will not work for her."

"I will then," said his wife. "Give me a few dollars and I will start a business, yes?"

"What business canst thou start?" asked Epstein.

"A very good one. As thou knowest, my father in Russia was a distiller. I helped him for many years when I was a girl. I shall start a distillery in one of our back rooms. Thou needest have nothing to do with it, except take half the profits. With the other half I shall support my mother."

Benjamin didn't see what he could lose by an arrangement like that, so he gave her the money.

The old woman was transferred to a furnished room across the street where her daughter could look after her and the still at the same time. Benjamin had a distinct feeling that the old woman had brought him luck.

But alas! Somebody informed, and the revenue agents came and found the still in full swing with evidences of the most perfect skill on the part of the operator. There were also 200 gallons of sugar syrup and 460 gallons of mash. The agents seized all this; they seized the house, too, because Epstein owns it, and they seized Epstein and Mrs. Epstein. Now the aged mother-in-law has less support than ever.

The plant has been running for only nine days according to Mrs. Epstein, but the agents say it looks two months old. The blacksmith and his wife were arraigned before Commissioner Benedict in Brooklyn yesterday and held for examination.

SENT TO PENITENTIARY

ASTROLOGIST WAS VICTIM OF LADY SLEUTH.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The unlucky star of Vittorio Salamone, the East Side astrologist and controller of fates, was in the ascendency in the Court of Special Sessions yesterday, and he will languish for three months in the penitentiary. He pleaded guilty to the charge brought by the County Medical society of practising medicine without a license on which he was arrested on Dec. 3.

Salamone is a six-footer and handsome in the stage villain way, with a long drooping silky mustache. He showed his white teeth in a smile when Justice McKeon sentenced him and walked with a swagger out of the court room. He is an Italian and has been in this country ten years. In court he admitted that he could neither read nor write. His office was at 28 Bayard street and he lived at 14 Chrystie street. The office was a combination grocery store and doctor's office. The astrologist always charged $5 for a consultation. His specialty was averting "the evil eye."

The principal evidence against Salamone was furnished by Lillie Errico, a pretty twenty-year-old girl, who gave her address as 180 Broadway.

"I went to Salamone on the evening of Dec. 2," said the girl, "and told him I was sick and had trouble with my sister-in-law. I said that I thought she had secured a witch to make me sick. Salamone then said:

"'Well, we'll see what the spirits have got to say about it.' He then sat down on a chair, closed his eyes and made peculiar sounds and seemed to lose consciousness. After a while he began to speak in a shrill voice, saying: 'You have come to me just in time, young lady. You were wise to come straight to me: the spirits tell me so.' After he had smelled my hair he wrote out a prescription and told me to get it filled at a certain drug store."

SKULL FRACTURED

MAN PICKED UP NEAR A SALOON.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30—John Murphy of 555 Greenwich street was found dying by the side of a saloon at 58 Pike street, corner of South, at 5.30 o'clock yesterday morning. Policeman McDonough of the Madison street station answered to a call from the saloon. He found the man lying outside and had him carried into the rear room. An ambulance from Gouverneur Hospital was summoned. When Dr. Henderson arrived he pronounced the man dead and said that death had been caused by a fractured skull.

Madison street station house detectives went to the saloon and arrested Christian Danielson, linchman in the saloon; Thomas Haines, captain of the canal boat 1992, and John Sheehan, a bartender. Haines, the sleuths say, had a fresh bruise on his right hand which he failed to account for. He said that he had just come ashore to get a drink to warm him up. Sheehan, the bartender, had several bruises on his face. When asked about them he said they had been there two years, but the detectives thought differently. The three were arraigned before Magistrate Whittman in Essex Market court and were held without bail for examination.

In one of the dead man's pockets was a pawnticket which had been issued to "Murphy" at Silverstein's pawnshop, 10 Sixth avenue. From this the identification was made. Murphy worked on the Joy Line pier and left home early yesterday morning to go to work.

CHICAGO NOT LIABLE.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Judge Walker has decided that the city of Chicago is not liable for damages in 60 suits growing out of the loss of life in connection with the Iroquois theatre fire.

This was the last day on which, under the law, claims for damages could be filed. In the last hour of the court 49 suits, aggregating $490,000, were filed.

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10 Stamps with 3 cans Peas	25c
10 Stamps with can Tomatoes	12c

THE PRESENTERS

WILL PROCEED WITH THE TALBOT CASE.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30.—That the presenters in the case of Rev. Dr. Ingram N. W. Irvine against Ethelbert Talbot, bishop of the diocese of Central Pennsylvania, intend to proceed despite the technicality which has been raised concerning the validity of the presentment was evidenced today, when Herbert Noble of New York, senior counsel for the presenters, arrived here and called a conference of his associate counsel J. Frederick Jenkinson and Agnew McBride. The statement that the amendment to the canon would render null and void the presentation is not taken seriously by the counsel.

The proceedings were begun with the filing of the papers with Bishop Tuttle in December and the amendment to the canon does not become operative until January 1. It is pointed out that under the law, the proceedings are regular as it is not likely that legislation can be enacted which will leave pending cases dead in suspension.

Previous to the conference, Mr. Jenkinson requested newspaper reporters to refrain from asking questions until he was in a position to answer them.

"Give us time to prepare our case," said the lawyer.

It would not be learned today how many presenters Mr. Noble had requested to meet him here, but it is understood that others besides the lawyers in the case will confer concerning the plans for the hearing on January 10.

It is stated on good authority, that the attorneys have held and now hold the opinion that the men who signed the presentments did so with a full knowledge of its purport. That question will be fully discussed by Mr. Noble and his associates during the visit of the senior counsel.

HAMILTON LEAVES HAVERHILL.

CLINTON, Mass., Dec. 30.—Wm. R. Hamilton for the last three years with the Haverhill team of the New England baseball league and last year its manager has accepted an offer to manage the Harrisburg, Pa., team during the coming season. He will assume the position April 20.

AGREEMENT SIGNED.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 30.—An agreement has been signed between Sir Charles Hardinge, the British ambassador, and Foreign Minister Lamsdorff, similar to the American-Russian agreement of last summer, whereby joint stock and other companies domiciled in either country are recognized as having a legal existence in the other country and are permitted either to bring or defend actions in the law courts.

WILSON'S DEATH

WAS DUE TO AN ACCIDENTAL FALL.

PAWTUCKET, R. I., Dec. 30.—Coroner Thomas Vance today filed his report on the inquest of James G. Wilson, the Saylesville barber, who was found lying unconscious on the road near his shop on Dec. 8. According to the reports, Wilson probably met death by an accidental fall and not by any neglect of any person or persons.

Wilson died several days afterward and upon the recommendation of the medical examiner an inquest was recommended and was held about a week ago. Wilson sustained a fractured skull, a broken shoulder and contusions of his body and limbs.

RUSSIAN ADMIRAL

HAS BEEN RECALLED BY THE CZAR.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—Admiral Kaznakoff (who was Russia's representative on the international commission of inquiry into the North sea incident but who has been recalled and will be succeeded by Vice Admiral Doubassoff) starts for St. Petersburg tomorrow after receiving a laconic summons from Emperor Nicholas. The admiral's health which is said to have been the cause of his recall, is excellent. Members of his staff say the renewed naval appropriations are doubtless the cause of the consultation.

STEAMER WAS OVERDUE.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Steamer Halifax, of the Plant Line, arrived here from Halifax, N. S., today, 20 hours overdue. The delay was caused by the ship encountering the heavy gale which swept over this section Tuesday night and Wednesday and against which she could make but little headway. The steamer's decks were awash almost constantly but she sustained no damage. She carried 14 passengers.

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Best Smoked Bacon,	12c lb	Best Creamery Butter	5-lb boxes $1.50
Best Hams,	11c lb	Best Green Mountain Potatoes	18c peck; 70c bush
Best Smoked Shoulders,	8c lb	6 lbs. of large Prunes,	25c
Fresh Shoulders,	9c lb	20-lb. pail Compound Lard	$1.40
Best Round Steak,	2 lbs for 25c	Fresh Eggs,	25c doz
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NEW TUNNEL

Fast Time Made on the First Day

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Most everybody went tunnelward to and from East Boston yesterday, with the result that the ferries had little to do. The new tunnel was admired by all who passed through it and East Bostonians generally were singing its praises all last evening, and, strange to say, there was little comment on the extra toll charged.

The officials of the Boston Elevated company said last evening that the arrangements were perfect and not the slightest hitch had occurred.

The enthusiasm seemed commensurate with the boon that accrues to East Boston with its newest and most novel improvement. There was a large crowd at the entrance of the tunnel in Maverick square last evening to watch the entrance and exit of cars, and many people went through the big tube a half dozen times "just for the sensation," they said. The cars made better time after the rush hours and a passenger was able to leave Central square, East Boston, and get to Washington street, in eight minutes, six minutes having been consumed in making the trip from Central square to the old statehouse. One man said he reached the old court house station in four minutes from Maverick square. Dr. J. H. Bussey went from his office on Paris street, near station 7, to Boylston street in eight minutes.

It seemed as if about every resident of Chelsea who worked in Boston went to his home by way of the tunnel, for the Chelsea cars were packed from 5 till 7.30 o'clock. Many, of course, made the trip for the novelty of it, but there was also a great saving in time.

Without the fuss and feathers which have characterized the opening of subways ,or tunnels, in cities to which they are an endless novelty, Boston threw open to public travel yesterday morning the big tube which connects East Boston with the city proper. The day and evening preceding had been marked by the passage through the tunnel of the officials and guests particularly interested in the undertaking and before daylight the general public was afforded the same quick means of communication between the island wards and the city.

The tunnel itself was as spick and span in its interior dress of white tiling, illuminated by countless electric lights, as was possible, and the traveling public, principally coming into the city during the morning hours, as was natural, was quick to appreciate the change in the conditions presented.

Arrangements had been made at the city stations to handle a possible crush of enthusiastic first-riders, and officers from station 2 were stationed at the Scollay square exit, the Court and Devonshire street entrances. But there was no crush. C. M. Bonneau of 18 Irving street claimed the honor of purchasing the first ticket on the city side, and announced his intention of preserving it as a souvenir.

When the first car arrived and discharged its freight perhaps 20 men and boys were waiting to secure seats for the first return trip. There were but few passengers standing when the car left Devonshire street, and some of those by choice. Most of them were simply availing themselves of the quicker means of transit to their work or homes, but a few were enthusiasts who went under the harbor simply for the sake of returning and making the first trip.

The first car left Maverick square at 5.30 o'clock. Fifty passengers were on this car, according to the register—44 men and six women. Some took out watches to time the ride over. Although the car ran at a slow pace, it was just 5.36 o'clock when the freight was landed at the Scollay square station.

The return trip to Maverick square was made in four minutes. The second car over also made the trip in four minutes. Thereafter cars were run at intervals of two minutes. Everything went on as smoothly as if the tunnel had been in operation for a year.

Division Superintendent H. H. Esty and his two inspectors, Henry C. Dow and Walter Ray were on hand, and kept the cars moving along in good shape.

John Alexander was the motorman on car 581, the first one to enter the tunnel, and James O'Brien the conductor. During the day and evening 32,000 fares were taken up.

TOOK HER MONEY

MAN FOUND IT SEWED UP IN WOMAN'S SKIRT.

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 31.—Patrick Dunn's deduction that a woman's skirt which had yielded $45 might reasonably be expected to contain further riches and his discovery of $120 as a result of this happy thought, landed him in the New Bedford jail, where he now awaits the action of the grand jury.

Dunn had been staying with James Harrington and his wife Ellen. The three caroused the other night until their money was gone. Harrington knew his wife had $45 in the pocket of her skirt and succeeded after a struggle in getting possession of it. He skipped out of the house with the money. His wife, despite the lack of a skirt, followed him. Dunn, left in charge, made further explorations in the vicinity and extracted $120, which Mrs. Harrington had sewed up in the garment and kept there to insure her a decent burial.

By the time Mr. and Mrs. Harrington returned they had adjusted their difference over the $45 and had decided to spend it without Dunn's assistance. Dunn was consequently kicked out and not until later was the discovery made that the $120 had been kicked out with him. The police were put on the case and Dunn was arrested with $111 in his possession.

CHELMSFORD

The Chelmsford High School Alumni held a semi-annual social meeting in Odd Fellows' hall last evening and a game of anagrams formed the feature of the entertainment. The prizes offered were secured by Mr. R. W. Emerson and Miss Mary B. Bartlett, as winners of the highest scores, the consolation prizes going to Mr. Hermon H. Hill and Miss Zelma Swift. Refreshments followed and the evening's pleasure was rounded out with general dancing. The arrangements were in charge of Miss Robeta H. Greenleaf and Miss Bertha G. Bartlett.

Miss E. L. Purkhurst entertained her pupils at her home on High street yesterday afternoon.

STILL ALARM OF FIRE.

A still alarm yesterday summoned a portion of the fire department to a chimney fire in a house in Davidson street, owned by L. J. Montferrand.

Chief Hosmer, of the fire department, who was confined to his home yesterday, put in an appearance at his office this morning.

ACCUSES FATHER

Boy Says He Killed Mother and Daughter

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 31.—A special to the Gazette from Newport, Ark., says:

Before the coroner's jury investigating the murder of Mrs. Amelia Mauldin, Newton Alwhite, 10 years old, confessed to being a party to the outrage and murder of the woman and her mother, whose body he says was thrown into the White river near the scene of the Christmas crime on the Jackson Port road. The boy implicated his father, Louis Alwhite, aged 43 years, who, he says, first shot the girl and then the mother. The elder Alwhite maintains his innocence and together with relatives testified to a story implicating Arthur Bunch and Walter Burgess, white farmers, but these men were able to prove alibis.

DIVORCE CASE

SUPREME COURT TO DECIDE ON IT.

BENNINGTON, Vt., Dec. 31—Jennie Sargood was granted a divorce yesterday from Eugene F. Sargood, who has been convicted twice at this term of court on criminal indictments, though already in state prison. Her application was made under the statute that provides that a divorce may be granted where the defendant is confined in prison for three or more years. It took 80 minutes to try the case.

Counsel for defendant took exceptions from the fact that Sargood may not serve three years. His first sentence was for 3½ years and his allowance for good behavior will bring time down to less than three years. The case goes to the supreme court.

BILLERICA

Martin Lane, aged 87 years, one of the oldest residents of the town of Billerica, died yesterday noon at his home in that town. He had been a well known figure in the town for many years and was very active in farming circles until his health became impaired.

The deceased was born in Ireland on the 13th day of November, 1817. The early days of his life were spent in the old country though he came to this country while a youth. His first settlement was in Boston and in 1841 he went to Billerica where he engaged in farming. Mr. Lane was married Aug. 27, 1853, in St. Mary's church, Lowell, by Rev. Timothy O'Brien. He was not interested in social or secret organizations, being noted for his home life.

He is survived by a widow and four children, Catherine (Mrs. Patrick Kennelly of Billerica); Louise, (Mrs. Morrisey of Chestnut Hill, Brookline); Miss Mary E., teacher in the Butler school of Lowell, and Anna L. Lane. Eight grandchildren also survive.

Mr. Frederick Leroy Dawson of North Billerica was surprised by about 75 of his young friends at Union hall last evening. Mr. Dawson is about to enter the Mt. Hermon school at Northfield.

Mr. William Macwell, in behalf of the company, presented Mr. Dawson with a dresser trunk. Mr. Dawson responded after which dancing was enjoyed to the strains of the Oriole orchestra and the remainder of the evening was spent in a very pleasant manner.

The affair was under the direction of the Oriole club, of which Mr. Dawson is a member. The officers of the evening were: General manager, Warren Hanson; assistant, Edward Keating; floor director, William Maxwell; chief aid, John McDonough; aids, Benj. Fielding, Frank Hannon and Eben Carr.

The annual meeting of the Orthodox church organization was held in the vestry of the church last evening. Reports were read and the election of officers for the ensuing term held. The new officers are:

Treasurer, J. F. Bruce; clerk, Deacon Dana H. Spiller; standing committee, John E. Bull, William H. King and J. F. Bruce; ex-officio, the pastor, Rev. J. Harold Dale and Deacons Dana H. Spiller and Herbert A. King; Sunday school committee, Sidney A. Bull, Miss Carrie Greenwood and Mrs. H. A. King; missionary committee, Rev. J. H. Dale, Mrs. E. R. Gould, and Mrs. H. A. King; representative of the church building society, Edward Winckler.

COMPANY FAILED

Boston Machinery Company Goes Under

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—The Holmes and Blanchard company, a Massachusetts corporation, engaged in the manufacture of heavy mill machinery, assigned today for the benefit of its creditors to Edward M. Moore and Nathan H. Rogers of this city. The plant is at the North End. The company has been established for over 50 years and its financial trouble is due to the falling off in the demand for the machinery which it manufactures. Its liabilities are estimated at $20,000 and its assets at half that amount.

CHILDREN'S HOME

THIRD ANNIVERSARY TO BE OBSERVED NEXT MONDAY.

Next Monday will mark the third anniversary of the children's home and Miss O'Leary has made arrangements to have the anniversary properly observed. There will be a reception in the afternoon from 2 to 5 and friends are cordially invited to call and see the little ones.

BOARD OF TRADE

DIRECTORS MET AND PASSED RESOLUTIONS.

The directors of the Lowell board of trade held a meeting yesterday with the president, C. H. Conant in the chair.

It was voted to have the annual assessment remain unchanged, $6. The chair was authorized to provide suitable refreshments for the members present at the annual meeting to be held Jan. 17.

A communication relative to pending arbitration treaties was read, and the following resolution was unanimously passed:

Resolved, That the Lowell board of trade desires to give its emphatic endorsement and support to the efforts now being made to secure the ratification of arbitration treaties between the United States and other nations. It fully believes that with very few exceptions, all international differences, not capable of diplomatic settlement, should be settled by arbitration.

Voted, That the secretary be instructed to send a copy of the above resolution to the secretary of the state board of trade, and to our senators in congress.

J. H. Shepard, Wm. W. Ward and Milo D. Clay participated in a discussion relative to a communication from the Providence chamber of commerce, about the establishment of an International Bureau of Boards of Trade, to give credit-information to business men, but no definite action was taken.

The committee on revision of the by-laws reported through Harvey B. Greene, recommending certain changes therein, to be submitted to the full board at the annual meeting on Jan. 17, and the same was approved by a unanimous vote.

SURPRISE PARTY.

Miss Albena Lowrey was surprised by her many friends at her home, 26 Exeter street, Friday evening. She was presented with a beautiful locket and chain, the address being read by Miss Frances Curry. There were vocal selections by Miss Anna Kirby, Miss Gertrude McCabe, and Miss Lena Lowrey. The Misses Frances and Louise Curry assisted at the piano. The party broke up at a late hour.

LITTLE GIRL BADLY HURT.

Agnes Bates, daughter of Eddo V. Bates of 115 Beech street, had a narrow escape from being killed while coasting down Third street hill yesterday afternoon. As it was the girl is now suffering from a broken nose and several minor injuries.

With a number of companions she was coasting on Third street, starting at Beacon street and going almost to Bridge street. At the time of the accident she was steering six or seven other sleds, while lying on her stomach on her own sled. The hill between Beacon and Fremont streets was partially icy and it was hard to manage the sleds.

When she reached the corner of Fremont street she apparently lost control of the sleds on account of the speed at which they were going and struck an iron cover of a sewer man hole.

The sudden stopping of so many other sleds threw the coasters in every direction and several landed on top of the unfortunate girl.

After picking herself up she made her way home with the blood flowing profusely from her nose and throat. On her arrival there was no one at home and the little girl was forced to stop on the front steps some time in hopes some member of the family would arrive.

Mrs. David Skillings in passing, heard the cries and took the child in her home. A doctor was summoned and the child's wounds were dressed while the family was notified.

First Day

Second Day

Third Day

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LEGAL NOTICES

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Eliza A. Girard of Lowell in said County, that she was lawfully married to Lucius N. Girard, now of New York, N. Y., at said Lowell, on the eighth day of July, A. D. 1877, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said Lucius N. Girard lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, to wit, at said Lowell, and at Manchester, N. H., that your libellant has always been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said Lucius N. Girard being wholly regardless of the same, at said Lowell in July 1885 utterly deserted your libellant without cause and against her consent and has continued such desertion ever since being more than three consecutive years prior to the filing of this libel; and prior to such desertion and since being of sufficient ability has utterly failed and neglected to provide suitable support and maintenance for your libellant; and after said marriage and prior to said desertion he contracted gross and confirmed habits of intoxication caused by the voluntary and excessive use of intoxicating liquor; and subjected your libellant to cruel and abusive treatment and extreme cruelty; and at said New York, N. Y., on divers days and times prior to the filing of this libel and at divers other places was guilty of the crime of adultery with a woman whose name to your libellant is unknown.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Lucius N. Girard.

Dated this nineteenth day of October A. D. 1904.

ELIZA A. GIRARD.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, Dec. 13, A. D. 1904.

Upon the libel aforesaid, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of February next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the residence of the libellee as set out in the libel, that he may then and there show cause, if any he have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

BOSTON & MAINE R. R.

Corrected to October 10, 1904. Trains leave Merrimack Street Depot, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.43, 6.22, x6.45, 7.40, *8.50, *9.22, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, x5.44 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.

Trains leave Middlesex Street Station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.46, 6.28, *6.30, x6.49, w6.50, 7.01, 7.24, 7.31, *7.48, 7.52, w*8.00, *8.57, w9.25, *9.33, w10.50, 11.05, *11.43 a. m.; w12.06, 12.14, w12.50, 1.44, *1.55, w2.30, w*3.10, *3.47, w3.55, 4.28, w5.06, 5.22, x5.49, w*5.55, *6.12, w7.00, 7.29, 9.30 p. m. SUNDAYS 6.39, 7.24, w8.15, 8.48, 9.30 a. m.; w12.10, 2.25, w3.55, w5.32, 5.29, w8.03 p. m.

For Lawrence, 6.28, w6.50, z7.31, w8.30, w9.25, w10.50 a. m.; w12.06, 1.28, w2.30, w3.55, w5.06, w6.15, w7.00, w9.30, w11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, w8.15 a. m.; w12.10, w5.32 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.31 a. m.; w12.06, 1.28, a2.30, a5.55, w5.06, 5.28 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.28, 6.50, z7.31, 8.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.06, 2.30, w3.55, w5.06, 6.15, 7.00, 9.30, 11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15, a. m.; 12.10, 5.32 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.28 a. m.; 12.06, 2.30, 3.55, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.28, z7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.06, 2.30, 3.55, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.06, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.28, z7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.06, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.28, 8.30, a. m.; 12.06, 5.06 p. m.; SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.06, 5.06, p. m.

For Rockland, 8.30 a. m., 12.06 p. m.

For Skowhegan, 8.30 a. m.

For Bangor and Belfast, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS 5.32 p. m.

For St. John, N. B., Halifax, N. S., 6.28 a. m.; 5.06 p. m. (5.06 does not run Saturdays.) SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via steamer from Portland) on Monday at 12.05 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgewick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport, Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland), Tuesday and Friday at 5.06 p. m.

Last trip of season, October 28, 1904.

For Woburn, 6.28, 7.01, *7.48, 11.05 a. m.; 1.44, 4.28 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.48 a. m.; 2.25, 5.29 p. m.

For Ayer Junction, Stations on W. N. & P. and Fitchburg Divisions, 7.07, 11.55 a. m.; 5.01 and 5.42 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2.15 p. m.

For Stations on W. N. & P. Division, Nashua to Portland, Me., 9.03 a. m. 13.40 p. m. to Rochester only.)

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.03 a. m.; 1.00, 3.40, 5.39 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.02 a. m.; 3.40 p. m. SUNDAYS to Hillsboro 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.30, 9.03, 9.39, *10.39 a. m.; *12.09, 1.00, *1.39, 3.40, *5.39, 6.27, *8.10, *9.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 10.02 a. m.; 2.00, 6.02, *8.10, *9.10 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon, White River Junction, 7.30, *9.39 a. m.; *12.09, *1.39, (to Franklin only), 5.39, *b8.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.), Claremont and Claremont Junction, 7.30 a. m.; 1.39 p. m.

For Montpelier, Essex Junction, Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal via Central Vermont Line, *9.39 a. m.; *12.09, *8.10 p. m.

For Stations on White Mt. Division, 9.39, *10.39 a. m; 1.39 p. m. (5.39 p. m. to Plymouth); *b9.10 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River, *10.39 a. m.; *1.39, *q9.10 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec via Plymouth and C. P. R., *10.39 a. m.; *b8.10 p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth and Sherbrooke, *10.39 a. m.; *9.10 p. m. (daily except Saturdays.)

References:

a Via Wakefield Junction.

* Express. b Daily.

q Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

w Via Western Division.

x Via Bedford. z Via Wilmington Junc.

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TO LET—No. 9 Westford st, flat of six rooms and bath. G. D. Kimball, 64 Central st.

TO LET—Small store at 162 Dummer st, rent cheap. Inquire in rear.

TO LET—Large, modern house, suitable for boarders and lodgers, in thorough repair; rent low. Henry Miller & Son.

TO LET—House with 20 rooms, bath, furnished with curtains at 512 Central st. In good repair $20 a month. Inquire at 34 Jackson st.

TO LET—Three stores newly fitted, good for any business, in good location. Inquire at 34 Jackson st.

TO LET—Pleasant tenements in Centralville $4.50 per month and upward. T. H. Elliott, 64 Central st.

TO LET—Cottage of seven rooms, bath, hot and cold water. Keys at 20 B st.

TO LET—Convenient locality 10-room house, furnace heat, all improvements, a pleasant street, could let rooms. Apply Charles M. Erskine, room 32, Hildreth Building.

TO LET—Nice tenement of five rooms with toilet. Newly painted and papered. 336 Fletcher st.

TO LET—A finely appointed flat, 239 Liberty st. Everything new, large rooms, open plumbing, steam heat. On line of street cars. Inquire at 241 Liberty st.

TO LET—6 beautiful flats, with bath room and hot and cold water in the New Nolan Block at the junction of Central and Chapel sts. Everything in first class order, for further particulars inquire of John Nolan, 844 Central st.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

FOR SALE—On Rogers street, Belvidere, two story, ten room house with bath and pantry and seven thousand feet of land all fenced in. Smith & Cavanaugh, Donovan building, Central st.

SITUATIONS WANTED

OLD EXPERIENCED NURSE wants nursing to do. Call at 26 Lawson st.

WANTED—Situation as housekeeper, convalescent nurse, good cook, laundress. Will do entire work, small refined family; neat, orderly, punctual, economical, honest. Inquire 64 Grand st.

WANTED—Situation as cook or housekeeper by capable woman with best of references. Apply at 149 Cross street.

WANTED—A situation by a thoroughly experienced stenographer and bookkeeper. Would make herself generally useful in an office. Good references. Address C. J., Sun Office.

HALL TO LET

A fine hall 30x40, well lighted, with two large ante-rooms, closets, and steam heat. Suitable for lodge meetings or would make an ideal place for a business school. Located on fourth floor at 52 Central street.

INQUIRE AT THE SUN OFFICE.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Cash register, latest style, National, for 4 clerks at 86 Marginal st.

FOR SALE—Cocker spaniels, full pedigree, house broken. 20 West Ninth st.

FOR SALE—A covered pung, side doors, glass front, in first class condition, suitable for baker or milkman. Call at Roscoe's paint shop, Willie st.

FOR SALE, or to let, blacksmith shop, 609 Aiken Ave., Drucut Centre.

$325 Buys restaurant doing $125 business weekly. Parties leaving town. Apply Gordon's, 219 Central st.

$800 for grocery store, a positive bargain. Illness forces sale. See Gordon, 219 Central st.

FOR SALE—Two cars of good feeding hay at retail for $15 and $16 a ton; also storage to let with use of elevator. Inquire at Charles Dumas' 129 Market st.

FOR SALE—Nice square piano in fine condition for sale cheap. 276 Westford st.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Sleds, sleighs, carriages, farming tools of all kinds of late Perry M. Jefferson. Inquire 428 Rogers st., Caroline A. Jefferson, Admx, or John Thompson, Tewksbury Centre.

MISCELLANEOUS

WHITE SEWING MACHINE CO.—Before buying a machine see our special ball bearing, noiseless, light running, rotary machine, it exceeds all others, second hand machines for sale, 376 Bridge st.

MADAME LENORE, clairvoyant, card reader. Hours 2 p. m. to 10 p. m. at 11 Paige st.

P. COGGER, the truckman sells all kinds of wood at a low price. $1 extra for sawing. 438 Riverside st. Tel. Con.

MRS. CLARA ADAMS, clairvoyant and card reader and ladies' employment office, 355 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

THE WONDERFUL new drink Gloria gives health and youthful vigor. Boyle Bros. Agents. Telephone.

WE HAVE ALL the Fall Blocks of Hats and are prepared to supply the gentlemen of this city. Stiff hats cleaned free at Delorme's, 261 Middlesex st. The practical hatter.

LADIES—Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination used by 200,000 women. Price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

LIMBURG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 1129 Bridge street. Telephone.

LOST AND FOUND

THE PERSON who was seen to pick up a chatelaine bag containing a sum of money in the Five and Ten Cent Store, Saturday, will save further trouble by leaving same at 7 Quimby Ave.

LOST—A brown pocketbook containing sum of money and rings. Finder return to 7 Quimby avenue. Reward.

LOST—A string of coral beads, Friday afternoon. Reward at 161 School st.

LOST—Between city library and Merrimack sq. a lady's gold watch, initials M. A. W. on case and short chain attached. Reward 97 Read street.

LOST—A St. Bernard slut dog, 6 mos. old. Return to 56 Williams st. Reward

THE PERSON seen taking an overcoat from the Associate Bldg. Monday afternoon, Sunlight dance, will kindly return to Associate Bldg. and avoid further trouble.

LOST—A bull terrier dog Thursday, Dec. 22. Finder return same to 12 Gage st. and receive reward.

LOST—An express and parcel delivery order book somewhere on Rogers st. The finder will be rewarded by leaving at The Sun Office.

LOST—A black wrist bag containing pocketbook, bills and change, also tickets for Highland club hall. Return to Room 5 Glidden building.

LOST—A pocketbook yesterday somewhere between Mercier Hotel Lakeview or at Willow Dale entrance. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at Sun Office.

HELP WANTED

WANTED—Circulars and sample distributors wanted everywhere. No canvassing. Good pay. Co-Operative Adv. Co., N. Y.

WANTED—Responsible man to manage an office and distributing depot for large manufacturing concern. Salary $1,800 per annum and commissions. Applicant must have good references and $1,000. Capital secure. Address Supt. 323, West 12th street, Chicago.

WANTED—Man or woman for position where education is not such importance as willingness to work, permanent; $15 weekly guaranteed. Address stating age and where can be interviewed, P. E. C., care of The Sun.

WANTED—Barber wanted at once, 8 Lakeview Ave.

WANTED—Chamber girl wanted at 179 Middlesex st.

WANTED—A kitchen girl. Apply at once. 28 Robeson st.

WANTED—An experienced protestant second girl. Mrs. Balch's Employment Office, 131 Westford st.

COOK WANTED at Quincy House, 53 Lee st. Apply at once.

ANY INTELLIGENT PERSON may earn $50 to $100 monthly corresponding for newspapers; $5 a column for work in spare time. No canvassing. Send for particulars. Northern Press Syndicate, Lockport, N. Y.

We solicit applications from entire families who desire employment in a manufacturing establishment out of town. State number in family, ages, sex, and the different classes of work accustomed to in past. Address A. A., Sun Office.

BUSINESS CHANCES

I HAVE A FEW hundred dollars to invest in a paying business where services are required for a fair salary. State nature of business. Address B., Sun Office.

WANTED

WANTED—Stable manure in large or small lots. Telephone or drop postal to H. W. Foster, R. D., No. 1.

WANTED—Children to board in country, desirable home; terms reasonable. Address Nelson, R. F. D., Billerica Centre.

WANTED—Men who are ruptured to know that an expert in fitting trusses and supporters will fit a limited number of guaranteed trusses for 75c during this week at Frye & Crawford's drug store, 206 Merrimack street.

WANTED—To buy hard wood or slab on lot in the country. H. I. Willard, 28 Concord st.

OVER THE VETO

City Council Passed the Salary Order

But Sustained the Veto of the Street Lighting Order—$36,000 Appropriation Finally Passed—Closing Meetings of the Year

Hon. Charles E. Howe sent his last official documents to the city council of 1904 last evening in the shape of two somewhat spirited veto messages in relation to the report of the salary committee in which the salaries of some of the city officials were increased and the report of the committe on street lighting recommending several new street lights that called for an annual expenditure of several thousand dollars.

Both branches passed the salary order over the mayor's veto almost unanimously, the vote being 5 to 1 in the upper branch and 18 to 1 in the lower. Alderman Hill and Councilman Peterson voted to sustain the mayor.

On the veto of the street light order, however, the board voted to sustain the mayor by a vote of 4 to 2.

Nearly all the members of both branches of the incoming government were present, and drew seats, while the corridors were filled with candidates and politicians of high and low degree who were deeply interested in proceedings.

The common council passed the $36,000 appropriation in concurrence, and when business was finished held the usual mock session.

MAYOR HOWE'S VETOES.

The veto messages were as follows:

Gentlemen:—I have returned this day to the city clerk a joint order presented for approval December 29, entitled "Order establishing the salaries of officers of the city of Lowell for the year 1905." I have approved the sections of the order except sections 24, 26 and 30, which increase the salaries of the chief of the fire department, the registrars of voters and the inspector of wires. I withhold my approval from those sections.

I do not believe the city financially is in a condition which warrants an increase of salary to officers who, in the opinion of unbiased judges, are already receiving fair compensation, and I am of the opinion that the proposed increases are not only unjust to the city, but unfair to other worthy city officers whose claims for more pay, if made, should as readily receive favorable consideration.

Why select for an increase the chief of the fire department whose salary already is $2000, and neglect the superintendent of public buildings who receives but $1800? Why raise to $1600 the salary of the inspector of wires, a new office for which the city also now furnishes a clerk and a horse and carriage, and let the pay of the city auditor remain at $1800, while the business of the latter's office has practically doubled since the salary has been changed? If salaries must be raised, raise them all around or let the present apportionment remain undisturbed.

The registrars of voters have no higher responsibilities than before; an increase of routine work has fallen to them, which, I am informed, is left mainly to clerical help. It is not a surety that the extra labor entailed by the adoption of the Luce law will be permanent. I should have been glad to approve the moderate increase for the registrars at first proposed by the committee on salaries, namely $100 for the chairman and $50 for the others; but I deem the increase of $250 for the chairman and $200 for the others, decidedly too much, raising as it does former salaries of $550 to $800 and $750, an advance of nearly 40 per cent. Eight years ago, an increase of $50 each was granted to the registrars as compensation for the additional work caused by the law which put upon them the responsibility of recounting. On the average one week's extra work should cover all probable recounts. Only one city in the state pays its registrars as much as $650. In all the others the rate is lower. Gentlemen, it is a poor time to raise city salaries when the tax rate is high, when the city yearly borrows money to pay current expenses, and when the wage-rate in the principal industries is stagnant. The tax payers of the city of Lowell are carrying about all the burden they can. I assure you that the comments that have come to me during the short time this order has been before me for approval are not favorable to this course, which, carried to its logical result, means an increase of salaries all along the line.

I return herewith unapproved an order directing the superintendent of lighting to locate street lights in various places. The order calls for one new gasolene light, 15 new gas lights and 12 new electric lights, entailing an additional yearly expense of about $2000. This is an increase in lights far beyond any yearly addition of late and seems to me to be going too fast. Already the annual expense for lighting is over $100,000, and our city as it stands is one of the best lighted cities in the country, although it still clings to the old style of the "moonlight schedule" so far as concerns the gas and gasolene lights. It appears to me injudicious for this government just going out of office to saddle this expense upon the incoming government. I have no doubt that among the 38 new lights there are some which public convenience decently can demand, but in the limited time which remains for me to consider this matter it is impossible for me to select them, so I return the order as a whole, hoping, if my views are sustained, that the government of 1905 will provide those which appear to be absolutely necessary.

CHARLES E. HOWE, Mayor.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The upper branch did not get together until 9.50 o'clock, when six members were found present. The absentees were Aldermen Carmichael, Gerow and Taylor.

The mayor's vetoes were taken up first and the salary order was passed over the veto by a vote of 5 to 1, Alderman Fairweather, Grant, Gallagher, Miskella and Wilson in favor, Alderman Hill against. The second veto was sustained, Aldermen Fairweather, Grant, Hill and Wilson voting to sustain while Aldermen Gallagher and Miskella voted for the order.

The following communication from Supt. O'Connor of the public buildings department was read:

I wish to call your attention to the fact that Rostler Bros., to whom a permit to make additions to and alterations in building at the corner of Middlesex and McIntyre streets was given by your board on Nov. 12, have violated the conditions of your permit by entirely removing the old structure and building of wood. As this location is within the fire district, sec. 13 of chap. 5 of the city ordinances is being violated. I have notified Rostler Bros. to discontinue work on building and have also notified the superintendent of police in accordance with sec. 3, chap. 5.

The communication was referred to the city solicitor, and the board took a recess.

After recess some minor business was transacted and the $70,000 loan order for a new schoolhouse in Ennell street was referred to next year's government in concurrence. The pending papers were referred to next year's city council and then the business of the year was finished.

At 10.10 Alderman Wilson spoke the valedictory of the board, making a neat speech in which he referred to the pleasant relations that have existed throughout the year. He thanked the mayor, city clerk, messenger and the press for their co-operation and paid a particular compliment to Chairman Miskella. The latter replied with graceful remarks and at 10.15 the motion to adjourn sine die was put and carried.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Before the common council came together at 9.15 the new members present drew seats for the ensuing year as follows:

Allard 25, Baldwin 15, Blake 4, Carr 5, Cheney 6, Clough 23, Cronin 2, Crosby 18, J. A. Daly 24, J. W. Daly 20, Dodge 14, D. J. Donehue 10, John Donehue 3, Fleming 11, Hayes 21, Leach 7, Mahoney 22, Marcotte 19, Mayberry 9, McAloon 16, McIntyre 1, McMahon 8, Morse 12, Reed 27, Shea 17, White 26.

The drawing was followed by considerable swapping of seats.

There were 14 members present when Councilman Welsh called to order. The joint order transferring $450 from labor to sundries for the park commission was adopted.

When nine members arrived, giving the body a two-thirds vote, the $36,000 appropriation order was passed in concurrence.

When the mayor's vetoes were sent down, Councilman Welch called Councilman Cheney to the chair and took the floor in favor of the orders. Councilman Cheney presided gracefully and with dignity.

When Councilman Welch had expressed himself the roll was called and 18 voted for the order while Councilman Peterson alone voted to sustain the mayor.

Councilman Hayes then called for the order recommending $2 per day for street department employes and was ruled out of order.

The council then adjourned but came together again in annual mock session with Councilman Peterson in the chair. The usual pleasantries were exchanged the final adjournment coming at ten o'clock.

NORTH CHELMSFORD

Squad 1, Troop F Cavalry, held a delightful dance in the Town Hall, last evening. The Middlesex orchestra furnished music and Sergt. Quigley directed the dance.

Highest Praise

Some Lowell Citizens Grow Enthusiastic on the Subject

The praise of the public
Is merit's just reward.
Nothing in modern times
Has received the praise accorded "The Little Conqueror."

Of some kinds of praise we are skeptical.
We doubt the praise of strangers.
The highest praise for Lowell public
Is hearty expression from Lowell people.

Doan's Kidney Pills are indorsed in Lowell.
No better proof of merit can be had.
Here's a case of it. We have plenty more like it.

Mrs. Frank Mansur, of 83 Fifth street, Lowell, says: "Mr. Mansur had kidney trouble for a great while. He doctored, used plasters and various remedies but derived no permanent help. An advertisement in our daily paper led him to go to Ellingwood & Co.'s drug store and get Doan's Kidney Pills. Their use not only quickly relieved the pains in his back but corrected the secretions of the kidneys which had been excessive for a long time."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50c. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

BROKER SET FREE

HE WAS CHARGED WITH FRAUD IN STOCK DEAL.

WORCESTER, Dec. 31.—Charles M. Hatcher of Brookline was in court yesterday for the fourth time on a charge alleging larceny of $4700 from Dr. George P. Penniman, a member of the state veterinary board. He was discharged.

Hatcher was arrested last July on complaint of Bert H. Prior of Worcester. It was alleged that he was a broker and, through Prior as middleman, had sold to Dr. Penniman $4700 worth of shares in the Franklin Oil Refining company and the Norwegian Mining company, which, the complaint charged, was sold under false pretenses and was not intrinsically worth the price paid for it.

In July Hatcher's case was continued until Sept. 27 and Hatcher was released in $10,000 bail, furnished by Gardner Perry of Brookline. In September the case was again continued until Oct. 24, when he was again continued until yesterday.

Charles W. Bartlett and Julian Codman of Boston appeared for Hatcher. Whipple, Sears & Ogden of Boston appeared for the government. Atty. Bartlett stated that a civil suit had been entered against Hatcher, that the government had got a bill in equity enjoining Perry from releasing any of the securities given to him by Hatcher after he had furnished bail for Hatcher, and it was contended by Mr. Bartlett that if the court should try the case and hold Hatcher, it would influence the civil court in its decision in the civil suit. Therefore he asked for either a continuance or his client's discharge.

The government counsel contended that more Worcester people than Dr. Penniman were interested in the case and that the action of the court in the criminal case would not influence the decision in the civil court. They asked that Hatcher be held.

TRIED SUICIDE

BOSTON GIRL THOUGHT OFFICERS WERE AFTER HER.

PITTSFIELD, Dec. 31.—A posse of deputy sheriffs went to Sandisfield yesterday morning to arrest Charles Cronk, a young farmer, on the charge of being a common drunkard. It had been given out that Cronk was armed and would put up a fight and Deputy Sheriff Bidwell of Monterey took along Deputy Sheriffs Arthur Fuller and Jasper Bills.

When the posse arrived at Cronk's house Miss Nettie Whitbeck of Boston who has been living at the farm house, ran from the kitchen to a pantry and drank the contents of a bottle of digitalis. She believed that the officers were after her.

A short time ago Mrs. Cronk attempted to commit suicide after a domestic trouble. It was said that she objected to the presence of the Whitbeck woman in the house and of Cronk's apparent preference for the Boston woman. For several days Mrs. Cronk's life hung in the balance, but she recovered. Cronk was in court at the time charged with drunkenness and paid a fine. Lately he has been drinking again, and the officers determined to break up a state of affairs which was too flagrant even for the farming district.

Following Miss Whitbeck's attempt at suicide, Cronk surrendered to the officers. He had hidden in one of the bedrooms. When searched a revolver of large caliber was taken from him. When arraigned in court Judge Sanford sentenced Cronk to the state reformatory in Concord.

Cronk is but 28 years old and his wife is 19. Miss Whitbeck is about the same age as Mrs. Cronk. Her father is a sailor and her mother lives in Boston.

FOUND HIM GUILTY

BUT LAWRENCE ALDERMEN DID NOT PUNISH POLICE OFFICER.

LAWRENCE, Dec. 31.—The mayor and aldermen gave a hearing yesterday afternoon on the charges preferred by City Marshal O'Sullivan against Patrolman Arthur W. French of having neglected his duty. The charges specified that Dec. 24 the patrolman was 27 minutes late in ringing in his duty call in one instance, and failed to ring in at all the next hour that he was supposed to do so.

The charges concluded with the opinion that the patrolman frequented saloons during the forenoon instead of going home after completing his tour of duty. Lawyer John J. Donovan appeared for Patrolman French.

Sergt. Thomas F. McCarthy testified to his attention being called to the lateness of French's signal in one instance and his failure to report at all subsequently. Asked the patrolman about it and he admitted that he had gone to sleep in a schoolhouse. A number of times before during the year there had been occasion to criticize French about his duty calls, witness said.

Capt. J. J. Sullivan said that he had warned French about his not being punctual in reporting from boxes, and had twice previously reported him to the city marshal.

Inspector Flynn said that a week ago last Sunday he had seen French in a hotel with food and drink before him. This was in the forenoon, when French was not on duty. Had seen him enter saloons.

In his own behalf French said that on the night of Dec. 24 he had been troubled with rheumatism in his feet and had gone into a schoolhouse and warmed up at a radiator. While there he had fallen asleep.

The board voted unanimously that the charge of being asleep while on duty had been sustained, but that the charge of frequenting saloons had not. Mayor Lynch then removed the patrolman from the force, but the board by a vote of 5 to 1 refused to approve of this action. Alderman Scanlon was the member to vote to sustain the mayor.

Mayor Lynch notified the city marshal that the patrolman was still under suspension, and the hearing ended.

L. M. T. SOCIAL CLUB.

The first meeting of the L. M. T. social club was held Thursday night at the home of Mr. Harry Hatch, on Royal street. A fine literary program was carried out during the evening.

Mr. Harry Hatch assisted by Thomas Dowd, sang some popular songs, while Mr. John J. Brunette sang "Jack How I Envy You". A reading from "Quo Vadis" was given by Mr. M. H. Hoar. Mr. Walter McCort and Dustin M. Hamblett gave selections on the piano after which the following officers were elected to make arrangements for the coming social which will be held in February:

President, M. H. Hoar; vice president, Harry Hatch; treasurer, Dustin M. Hamblett; secretary, Walter McCort. The party broke up at midnight and will meet again Sunday afternoon at New [illegible]

VARIOUS REFORMS

To be Favored by Governor Douglas

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Mayor Collins and ex-Mayor Matthews yesterday had a conference with Governor-elect William L. Douglas regarding the inaugural address and were with him for more than an hour reading the message.

The points of the message upon which Collins and Matthews agreed with Governor-elect Douglas were these, and they are to be a part of the inaugural address:

1—Home rule for all cities and towns.

2—Abolition of the Boston Police Board as it is now constituted.

3—Abolishment of unuseful commissions.

4—A thorough investigation of the finances of the state and a change in the methods of bookkeeping.

5—More strict enforcement of the laws as regards employment of women and children.

6—A complete reorganization of the affairs of the state institutions.

7—To give Boston a greater opportunity to name the men who are conducting the affairs of the metropolitan district.

8—More liberal laws as regards workingmen.

9—Abolition of such commissions as are incompatible with the public service.

10—Reciprocity with Canada and the suggestion that the legislature urge congress to do something on that line with a view of asking for an unpaid board to be named, which may ascertain the necessities of the state.

11—Compulsory arbitration and a revision of the law so that strikes and lockouts shall not continue.

12—Reorganization of the state militia so as to conform with the laws of the United States.

13—Control of public lighting with a view of municipal ownership. This affects gas, electric lights and water supplies.

14—Greater enforcement of the present factory laws and a suggestion that women and children be exempted in all cases.

This is the time to buy coal. See Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

WANTS $15,000

TO CARRY ON THE DODGE CASE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—That Dist.-Atty. Jerome has by no means concluded his investigations in the Dodge-Morse divorce tangle was made evident yesterday when application was made on his behalf to the board of estimate and apportionment for an additional $15,000 to defray necessary expenses. In addition to this amount, about $22,000 has been expended by the authorities on the case and it is believed that as much or more has been spent by others in the case. Mr. Jerome declined to explain to what purpose he expects to devote the additional appropriation.

None of those concerned in the case would break the silence yesterday which they have maintained since Dodge's arrival in New York a week ago. Dodge himself did not leave his hotel. He was in better condition than he has been at any time since his return, but apparently he was not in such shape that Mr. Jerome wishes to accept a sworn statement from him. There is no indication that he will not remain under guard at the hotel for a considerable time, certainly until the grand jury meets next Tuesday.

DRAGGED IN FETTERS

MOB WANTED TO LYNCH JOHN HUTCHINGS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31—Harried by a crowd of citizens inflamed to the point of lynching if only leaders had taken the initiative, John Hutchings, self confessed perpetrator of a brutal crime, was dragged in fetters through the streets of Port Chester yesterday and placed by officers on an outbound train to prevent his failing into the hands of his pursuers.

He was captured at 8.45 a. m. after posses had spent the night searching Port Chester and the surrounding country for him. While the lynching was being planned, a beautiful child of 7 lay dying on a cot in the Ladies' hospital on Smith street. She is Julia, the daughter of Daniel Scofield, a highly respected resident of East Port Chester, Conn.

Hutchings is a relative of the Scofields and at intervals made his home with them. He assaulted the child in a freight car, carried her home in a dying condition and made his escape.

An uncle of the child captured the man.

MAY BE LYNCHING

NEGRO ATTEMPTED TO ASSAULT TWO YOUNG WOMEN.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Threats of lynching are being made by citizens of Alexandria county, just across the Potomac river from here, if the negro who attempted to assault two young women there Thursday night is caught.

The young women, Miss Esther Peverill and Miss Beulah Ebaugh, are daughters of two of the most prominent citizens of the county. They were returning from the junction of the Washington, Alexandria & Mt. Vernon electric road at Arlington cemetery.

The young women had to pass several brick yards. As they reached the path through a meadow leading to the home of Miss Ebaugh a negro, apparently about 22 years old, 6 feet in height and very black stepped out in the path and made a grab for Miss Ebaugh. He struck her on the head, but she escaped.

The negro caught Miss Peverill, who was so frightened she made no attempt to get away. Miss Peverill fought the negro while her companion, Miss Ebaugh, ran home and notified her father and brothers.

They hurried to the path and found Miss Peverill unconscious. The negro had been scared away by their approach. A posse was organized, and citizens from all parts of the county joined in the hunt, which lasted all of Thursday night and yesterday.

REV. THOMAS TOBIN

WELL KNOWN ROCKPORT PRIEST IS DEAD.

ROCKPORT, Dec. 31—Rev. Thomas Tobin, until recently pastor of St. Joachim's of this town, died yesterday morning.

He was born in 1855 in county Waterford, Ire. At 12 he entered Mt. Melleray college. The faculty of this well-known institution of learning, perceiving that the boy was of unusual mental endowment, advised him to study for the priesthood. He, however, came to this country a short time afterward with his family, and settled at Salem. The late Rev. William H. Bailey, Fr. Tobin's uncle was then pastor of the church of the Immaculate Conception.

Young Tobin was sent to St. Charles' college, Baltimore, to finish his college course. After four years' study there he entered the grand seminary at Montreal and was ordained a priest in 1881. His first appointment was to St. Peter and Paul's parish, South Boston, then to the Immaculate Conception, Salem, and after his uncle's death he was appointed pastor of the Rockport and Lanesville parishes.

NEXT WEEK AT THE CASTO.

America's favorite character comedian, Edward Harrigan, heads the program at the Casto Theatre, next week, and will present his latest comedy success entitled "The Simple Life" for the first three days of the week, and for the first three days commencing Thursday he will present the great laughmaker "Darcy McGlone, Author." In these comedies Mr. Harrigan is seen at his best and it affords ample scope for the display of his varied talents. He is supported by an excellent company and so great is his popularity in New York that it was only by the offer of an almost fabulous salary that Manager Haynes secured him for the Casto circuit. The Zarrow Trio will present their great spectacular novelty entitled "A Night on the Board Walk," which is very funny and full of sensational surprises. The Loveland Family will present their great musical act direct from the World's Fair. This will be their only appearance in vaudeville. Dixon and Holmes, the singing comedians, will present their original specialty, including impersonations of the light house scene in "Shore Acres," and of J. K. Emmett and other noted artists. Harry La Marr, the late star of "Widow Redott" and "The County Fair," will offer his comedy act; the Gannoux will present their refined and wonderful equilibristic act; Brady and Lake are two of the best singing and talking comedians in vaudeville and Elizabeth Estelle is a petite and dainty singing comedienne with an excellent repertoire. Reserved seats can be ordered by telephone 815-3.

AT THE CASTO TOMORROW.

The usual Y. M. C. A. men's meeting will be held in the Casto theatre tomorrow at 3.30 o'clock. The address will be given by Rev. C. L. Pierce and his subject, "? ? ?" is one that the men of our city should hear. The University male quartet of Boston, composed of Leon E. Baldwin, first tenor; Joseph A. Finley, second tenor; Webster A. Chandler, baritone; Fred H. Lawton bass, which won so much praise for its artistic singing some six weeks ago, has been engaged. The Lynn Item, speaking of the quartet says: "The artists captivated the audience by the manner in which they rendered their selections". "Come Into Me," Myers; "Adoration", Leslie, and "Rock of Ages" with tenor obligato by Mr. Baldwin, will be among tomorrow's selections. Admission free.

BRIBED ALDERMEN

Charge Made Against the Gas Trust

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Alderman-elect Frank J. Linehan, at the meeting of the central gas committee, composed of representatives of various civic organizations, and held at the Parker house, last night, said: "One thousand dollars had been offered four members of the board of aldermen to vote against the passage of the acts for the establishment of a municipal gas plant for the purpose of heating, lighting and power for the inhabitants of the city of Boston."

Mr. Linehan said: "Certain men had met not 100 yards from the Parker house," but he refused to divulge the names of the men who had been approached with the offer.

Mr. Linehan also stated that he "stood ready to prove this assertion at any time."

CAUSED CORRUPTION.

"The gas situation has caused more corruption than anything else," Mr. Linehan asserted. He also stated that "it was a notorious fact that $30,000 had been paid to prominent legislators in the past."

Mr. Vincent of the Harvard Improvement association said that the only release from the present oppressive conditions was municipal ownership of gas companies.

Mr. V. A. Mellarrett of the Charlestown Improvement association said that the "present quality of gas was good enough, but there should be legislation to enforce a standard amount of pressure. If the pressure of gas is doubled the increase in consumption is one-half as much again."

SHOT FOUR MEN

KRONER SAYS THAT THEY ANNOYED HIM.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Four men were last night shot and slightly injured in a fight at Indiana Harbor, 20 miles from this city. The shooting was done by Frederick Kroner, an employe of the American Steel and Wire company, the injured being his fellow workers.

Kroner, who is an expert workman, has been of late doing extra work and his fellow workmen demanded that he perform no more than the rest of them. He refused to do as they wished and last night when a number of the employes were standing on the depot platform in Indiana Harbor, some of them attacked Kroner, who drew a revolver and began to shoot. Jaegar and M. Willets were slightly wounded in the leg and two other men whose names are not known sustained trifling injuries. Kroner was arrested.

FOUND IN CHARLES RIVER.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 31.—The body of George W. Nichols, 65 years of age, of Woburn, was found in the Charles river last night. Nichols conducted a jewelry business in Reading, and had been missing since Nov. 4. The body had been in the water a long time, but there was no indication of foul play. Nichols was a veteran of the Civil war. He leaves a wife and married daughter.

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TO GET HOLD OF MONEY

without working for it is quite a problem, but it can be done by taking your last season's garments to the

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and if they are only soiled or faded you can have them Dyed, Cleansed, Pressed and made to look almost as good as new at a very small expense and we can do a slick job on gloves, feathers, ribbons, silks or satin, as well as almost any kind of ladies or gents wearing apparel at

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54 PRESCOTT STREET.

P. S.—The old proverb says, that a dollar saved is a dollar earned.

AN ARREST MADE

HOTEL KEEPER CHARGED WITH SHOOTING O'BRIEN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31—Charged with the shooting of William O'Brien on the Bowery early Thursday, William K. Smith, proprietor of a Raines law hotel, was arrested here last night on a warrant secured by District Attorney Jerome on the strength of a statement made to him by Cornelius J. Donlon, who said he saw the shot fired.

O'Brien is a homeless waiter who gave important testimony at the trial which resulted in the conviction of Patrolman Arthur Mallon for the shooting of Robert Brennan last May. Yesterday morning he was found almost on the spot where Brennan was shot, with a bullet in the abdomen. He is now in a hospital and it is thought he will die. Smith was taken before him last night but O'Brien refused to make any statement.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Manager Richard F. Murphy has secured a splendid concert for the patrons of the Academy of Music for Sunday night, Jan. 1, the concert to be for the benefit of the Ladies' Aid society of St. Patrick's church. In reality it is a New Year's gift, it being one of the best sacred concerts ever presented by the management. The main feature of the program is the moving picture show and those who have attended the different Sunday night concerts know their real worth. Every picture will be new and among the most prominent will be "A Trip to Italy", "The Barber's Revenge", "Damnation of Faust," "Stage Struck," "Child Fire Drill" and a host of other pictures. Mr. Edward F. Shea, Lowell's popular singer, will be heard in the newest and latest popular songs and many other features will be introduced. The ladies' orchestra will also be in attendance and on the whole the program will be one which will be well worth the price of admission. The prices for the afternoon will 10 and 20 cents, while the prices for the evening will be 10, 20 and 30 cents.

Vermont Man'f'g Co.'s Butterine.

Churns the finest quality of Butterine in the world, is in business again, their Butterine is way ahead of Western goods, fresh, sweet, tastes like fresh made June butter, 12 to 15c lb. Western Butterine 10 to 12c lb. Teas, best in Lowell at half price. Try our Irish tea. FLYNN'S MARKET, 137 Gorham st., Lowell, Mass.

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George H. Miller

The caterer and confectioner has removed from 427 Bridge street to 122 Humphrey st. where he will be pleased to receive orders for catering for large and small parties, also confectionery and ice cream at wholesale. All orders by mail will receive prompt attention.

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So many people who have apparently recovered from an attack of *La Grippe* are stricken with *Pneumonia*. This is due to the fact that the Bronchial Tubes and Lungs are left weakened and unable to resist disease.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR

not only cures *La Grippe Coughs*, and prevents *Pneumonia*, but strengthens the Lungs so they will not be susceptible to the development of serious lung troubles. Do not take chances with some unknown preparation that may contain some harmful drug when FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR costs you no more and is safe and sure. Contains no opiates.

I had a bad case of La Grippe about ten years ago which left my Lungs so weak that I have been troubled more or less every winter since until I used FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR, which cured me completely and my Lungs no longer trouble me.—J. H. BROWNING, D.D.S., Orrick, Mo.

G. VACHER, 157 Osgood St., Chicago, says: "My wife had a very severe case of La Grippe, and it left her with a very bad cough. She tried a bottle of FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR and it gave immediate relief."

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SWORN CIRCULATION OF THE SUN

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Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 1, 1904.

JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell, and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE-THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

The board of education of New York has decided not to have corporal punishment in the schools. If the teachers can control the pupils without corporal punishment so much the better; but if the absence of corporal punishment means disorder and lack of progress so much the worse.

THE CROPS OF THE COUNTRY.

Statistics show some wonderful things, to wit the following from the Indianapolis News:

"If the 1904 crops were equally divided, every man, woman and child in the United States would receive one barrel of flour, 200 eggs, 140 quarts of milk, more than half of which goes into butter; one bushel of apples and two and a half bushels of other fruits and berries, three bushels of potatoes and two bushels of carrots, beets, parsnips and turnips; eleven head of cabbages and half as much lettuce, cucumbers and cauliflower; twenty-eight bushels of corn, usually in the shape of beef, pork and poultry, besides 70 pounds of cotton, six pounds of wool for clothes and enough leather for two pairs of shoes."

If the statisticians would take out the share that is claimed by the trusts, the share that would fall to each individual afterwards would be astonishingly small.

THE PASSAGE OF THE SALARY GRAB.

The reckless passage of the salary grab resolution over the mayor's veto at last night's meeting of the city council should bring about a change in the rules regulating the fixing of salaries.

If the city council had any regard for the interests of the city the mayor's veto of both measures would have been sustained last night and if either were to be adopted that for additional street lights should certainly take precedence over the salary grab.

But the contrary was the case. The salary grab was passed over the veto while the veto of the other resolution was sustained.

It is needless to comment at length upon the injustice of this action. The mayor stated the case very clearly in his veto message.

But what care the councilmen or aldermen going out of office about the merits of the question or the interests of the city?

It is the wrong time to bring up such a matter when a large proportion of the members of both boards are smarting under defeat or are preparing to retire to private life. The time to fix the salary list is on inauguration day when the members are new in office and before they have forgotten that they are bound by a solemn oath to safeguard the interests of the city. This rule should be changed as soon as possible. The committee on appropriations might well have something to say on the matter of salaries. Something must be done to safeguard the city against such raids upon the treasury as that which was railroaded through the city council last night.

THE PUBLICATION OF LEGAL CITATIONS.

An important bill passed by the house of representatives this year but killed by the senate is to come up next year when the friends of the measure will do their utmost to have it enacted.

The provisions of the bill are intended to overcome the injustice that frequently arises by entering legal proceedings and carrying them through without due notice to the other parties concerned.

Take for example the foreclosure of a mortgage. A legal citation to the mortgagor must be published, but unless it be published in the city or town in which the maker of the mortgagee resides and in a leading paper the interested person may not know anything about the proceedings until his property is wrested from him. The same injustice is possible in divorce cases when one of the parties wants to gain a point on the other. An obscure paper is sought for the publication of the libel and the libelee may not see or hear of the citation until the divorce has been granted. These are but two of many instances that might be cited to show the necessity of publishing all such legal citations in a leading paper published in the city or town of the person or estate interested. We say "a leading paper" advisedly as there are certain papers in which the publication would be absolutely useless.

Here in Lowell it has been customary with some lawyers to publish such notices in the papers that had the smallest circulation. Consequently an obscure paper devoted to farming was generally selected and thus the parties interested never read it. Consequently the publication was practically worthless and did not, therefore, carry out the intent of the law.

The bill to be presented to the legislature during the coming year should be amended so as to make it compulsory to have such citations published in leading papers. By "leading" in this connection we mean papers of average circulation where published, the sheets that are recognized as an effective means of reaching the public.

Unless the measure be amended on this particular point, it might as well not be passed at all for there will always be papers in which such citations can be published without the slightest chance of ever meeting the eye of the parties interested. Who would think a paper of from 200 to 500 circulation a proper medium of publicity in a city of 100,000 population?

MAYOR HOWE'S ADMINISTRATION.

In justice to His Honor, Mayor Howe, in closing his two years as chief executive of our city, it can be truly said that he has been one of the best mayors we have ever had. While we differed with him in politics and on some of his official acts, yet we must say that he stood firmly throughout his incumbency for what he conceived to be the best interests of the city.

Early in his incumbency, he adopted the policy of keeping down current expenses and discountenancing the vicious practice of borrowing. In pursuance of this policy he vetoed many measures which a less economic policy would have readily approved; but the result on the whole has been beneficial to the city at large.

It may be remembered that when he entered office there were a great many schemes on foot such as the establishment of a city store and woodyard, large macadam and smooth-paving projects, public baths, new bridges, and various others which would draw largely from the city treasury. But they were all blocked and silenced by the mayor's economic policy. He realized that with the highest tax-rate in the city's history the taxpayers should be protected against any increase in their burdens.

The effect of that policy was to put a quietus upon grafting projects as the members of the city council to a great extent concurred with the mayor in his economic policy and thus the promoters of raids on the treasury were completely blocked. Apart from this Mayor Howe has always been the mayor of the whole people, always ready to do what he could for the public weal, a fact which was instanced on many occasions but notably in the coal famine and during the textile strike. Mayor Howe retires to private life with the friendship and good will of the people at large and with as few enemies as it is possible for any mayor to have who has the courage of his convictions in guarding the interests of the city.

The economic policy constantly pursued by Mayor Howe will, we hope, be continued by his successor. The people want it; they want the tax-rate still further reduced and to secure that object it is necessary to keep the grafters at bay, to cut down current expenses and stop borrowing so far as that is compatible with the best interests of the city.

SEEN AND HEARD

The boy who was refused permission to go skating yesterday either went or sulked about home all day.

Although the green still hangs to the door and decorates the walls and ceilings the spirit of the Christmas season has sped on the wings of time.

The toy novelties that found their way into the market for Christmas sale, this year, were greater than ever before in the history of man, at least that is what the biggest toy dealer in Boston said.

Despite the fact that the streets were fairly well sanded yesterday many hard and ungraceful falls were registered. About 2 o'clock in the afternoon an elderly gentleman fell in Prescott street. A young man, three sheets in the wind, went to the rescue. In an attempt to pick the old gentleman up he fell himself. The old gentleman, believing that one good turn deserved another, attempted to pull the young man to his feet and fell in the attempt.

"Guess you've been drinking too," said the young man as he reached out his hand to give the old gentleman another lift.

"Hands off, young man," said the old gentleman. "I would not accept the assistance of a man who would accuse me of having tasted liquor." Despite his protestations, however, the young man helped him to his feet and went his way, smiling.

"Nice young fellow, too bad he drinks," muttered the old gentleman as he brushed the snow and dirt from his clothing.

The man who abandoned himself to the cheer of the good feeling that prevailed at Christmas is now preparing his good resolutions for the New Year; the charming sweetheart is rich in the token sent her by her "best fellow"; the mother, poor soul, is glad that it is all over; the small boy has sent his toys, the most expensive of them, at least, to the junk shop, and the penny post looks as crisp as a dollar bill that was never spent.

A man in the Highlands is about to bring a suit against a neighbor that will be novel in the extreme. Man number one had a valuable dog—valuable because he had a screw tail. Man number two had a mongrel, a good-for-nothing, long-haired "peep" that sunned himself on the sidewalk, looking daggers at everybody and everything that passed, and stole his noon day meal from swill buckets. The dog with the screw tail objected to the mongrel blocking the sidewalk and attempted to walk over the fellow with the long hair. A scrap ensued with the result that the mongrel relieved the "well bred" of his screw tail. The owner of the screw tail will sue for the price he had set upon his dog, on the grounds that the screw tail represented the breeding and worth of said dog. Unless a settlement is reached the case will be heard next week.

IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 31.—In the United States circuit court yesterday, Judge Brawley filed an opinion and order declaring unconstitutional the law recently passed by the South Carolina legislature prohibiting the shipment or transportation of shad beyond the limits of the state. A test case has been made, the complainants proffering fish for shipment to the Southern Express company and on the refusal of the latter to handle the suit was brought. In his opinion, Judge Brawley said the law did not confine its mandates to fish caught in South Carolina waters, and was, therefore, in opposition to the interstate commerce clause of the constitution.

FATALLY BURNED.

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 31.—Rosie Nadeau, aged seven years, was fatally burned yesterday while playing with matches at her home near this city. She died a few hours later.

VICTORY AGAIN

Lowell Took Game From Newburyport

NEWBURYPORT, Dec. 31.—Newburyport received its first defeat at basketball in the local court last night, Lowell winning a fast and clean game, 24 to 17. The visitors put up a star passing exhibition, and but for poor goal throwing would have made a much larger score. Newburyport's playing at times was ragged, especially at throwing goals.

LOWELL—24	17—NEWBURYPORT
Leighton rf	lb Tressey
Mathews lf	rb H. Sheridan, Regan
L. Long c	c W. Sheridan
Enos rb	lf Punch
Allard lb	rf Hayes

FIRST PERIOD.

Won by	Scored by	Score
Lowell	Leighton	2—0
Lowell	Enos	4—0
Newburyport	Hayes	4—2
Newburyport	Third foul	4—3
Newburyport	Healey	4—5

SECOND PERIOD.

Newburyport	Hayes	4—7
Newburyport	H. Sheridan	4—9
Newburyport	Hayes	4—11
Lowell	Leighton	6—11
Lowell	Enos	8—11
Newburyport	Third foul	8—12
Lowell	Mathews	10—12
Lowell	Mathews	12—12
Lowell	Leighton	14—12
Lowell	Leighton	16—12

THIRD PERIOD.

Newburyport	H. Sheridan	16—14
Lowell	Third foul	17—14
Newburyport	Third foul	17—15
Lowell	Mathews	19—15
Lowell	Enos	21—15
Newburyport	W. Sheridan	21—17
Lowell	Third foul	22—17
Lowell	Enos	24—17

Score, Lowell 24, Newburyport 17. Goals, Leighton 4, Enos 4, Mathews 3, Hayes 3, H. Sheridan 2, Healey, W. Sheridan. Points on fouls, Lowell 2, Newburyport 3. Referee, Charles Connors of Lowell. Timekeeper, Hugh Healey of Newburyport. Attendance 500.

NOTES.

Allard is traveling some.

We won two out of five games this week and both our victories were over Newburyport.

Haverhill in Associate hall Monday night. The game will be worth seeing as the contest last Monday is still fresh in the minds of the fans.

The Shawlights play Company F of Fitchburg tonight. The game will be played in the armory at Fitchburg. A large delegation of Shawlight rooters will take in the game.

The Cadet orchestra will be present at every game of basketball played in this city during the remainder of the season. Manager Gray closed a deal with the orchestra last night and as a result we will have music before each game and between the periods.

Commenting on the Haverhill-Newburyport game of Wednesday, the Haverhill Gazette says:

"Flo. Haggerty, who has an unfortunate habit of bumping into strenuous affairs on the floor, had a couple of lively mix-ups with Joe Lynch, that threatened to develop into fistic encounters. But when things got too warm Referee Connors called time and allowed the perspiration to roll off the excited players before blowing the whistle again. Haggerty played in his customary vigorous style and aided materially in the victory of the home team, while Doyle contributed his share of the hard work and was rewarded by registering three of the 11 baskets that were harvested. A weak spot in the visiting lineup was at right forward, where Jack Punch was located. Bucky Lew simply toyed with the fat little fellow from Newburyport and the good work done by the other visitors suffered in proportion, as the failure of Punch to make good gave the spectators the impression that the weakness was a general one which applied to the whole Newburyport team. A stronger man than Regan was also essential to the success of the visiting aggregation.

BOXING GOSSIP

If what the promoters say is true Lowell is to have a first class boxing club and perhaps two, centrally located and properly conducted. It is a long time since the Lowell sports have seen any good boxing at home and the opening of the clubs should be popular provided they do not conflict and get to fighting each other as has been the experience in the past. If there are to be two clubs let each attend to its own affairs and not bother about the other.

Boxing is going along smoothly in nearly every other city in New England under somewhat restricted conditions and it could go along very well in this city if started.

WRESTLING NOTES

All the wrestlers have heard of Lowell and are writing on to the different sporting editors for matches. Some of the best men in the country have asked for matches in this city and as a result this should be a good winter for wrestling in Lowell. Charlie Jackson, the best wrestler that Lowell can boast of, says: "I am ready to meet most any one and I don't ask any one my weight or near it to lay down for me and I will lay down for no one. I think I can throw any man of my weight in the country and if I can't the man who throws me will get the hardest fight he ever had in his life. I want to meet Tremblay once more and I'll guarantee that he will go down."

Hanson, the heavyweight Dane who wrestled here a couple of times, wants another go with Jackson. He weighs about 170 and for that reason Jackson believes that it should be a handicap match, Hanson to throw him twice in one hour. Tremblay, Hanson, Parker, Maupas, Getch, Swanson, and others are among the wrestling celebrities who will probably appear here during the winter.

ON THE ALLEYS

MOHAIR BOWLERS IN A CLOSE CONTEST.

Maud's Pets defeated Ambrose's Wonders in a game of duck pins at the Bowlaway last night. Galvin was the star roller of the evening with an even 100 to his credit. Both teams were recruited from the Mohairs. The score:

MAUD'S PETS.

Rydle	82	81	88	251
Lennan	67	80	72	219
M. Muck	92	93	83	268
B. Muck	97	80	80	257
Mulvey	93	79	77	249
Totals	431	413	400	1244

AMBROSE'S WONDERS.

Ambrose	80	76	79	235
Campbell	75	71	88	234
Corcoran	84	72	84	240
Galvin	84	100	84	268
Slavin	72	85	84	241
Totals	395	404	419	1218

LOWELL COUNCIL WON.

Teams representing Lowell 8 R. A. and Highland 570, R. A., bowled a preliminary match game on the Bowlaway alleys last night. Abbott of Lowell 8 was high man with 97. The score:

LOWELL COUNCIL.

Edwards	71	71	78	220
Paradis	81	86	78	245
Abbott	84	97	83	264
Hodgman	77	74	86	237
Richardson	84	95	90	269
Totals	397	423	415	1235

HIGHLAND COUNCIL.

Langevin	75	86	82	243
Robitaille	71	70	71	212
Dodge	79	68	77	224
Jelly	73	79	87	239
Greig	88	78	81	247
Totals	386	381	398	1165

EXCEED $500,000,000

EXPORTS OF MANUFACTURES OF IMMENSE VALUE.

Exports of manufactures in the calendar year 1904 will probably exceed $500,000,000 in value. Details of eleven months' exports just completed by the Department of Commerce and Labor, through its Bureau of Statistics, show for the eleven months of the present year a total of $459,575,023 of manufactures exported, and for the month of November alone $46,608,896; so that, unless the December exports should prove much less than those of November, the total exports of manufactures for the calendar year must exceed 500 million dollars.

In the calendar year 1903 the exports of manufactures were but 421 millions; in 1900, in which year the highest export record in manufactures occurred, the total for the calendar year was 441 millions; in 1898, 308 millions; in 1896, 253 millions; and in 1894, 178 millions. Thus the exports of manufactures in 1904 seem likely to be nearly three times as great as those in 1894. The increase in the exportation of manufactures has been sufficient to nearly offset the phenomenal reduction in exports of agricultural products.

As is well known, the shortage in our own wheat supply, coupled with the unusual demand in the home market and the unusually large surplus in other countries from which our former customers were able to draw freely, have caused the exports of breadstuffs from the United States, and especially those of wheat and flour, to fall off greatly in the last year, so that agricultural products which, in the eleven months ending with November, 1903, amounted to 789 million dollars in value, were but 701 millions in the corresponding months of 1904, a fall of 85 millions; while manufactures show an increase of 77 millions, the figures for the eleven months of 1903 having been 382 millions, and in eleven months of 1904, 459 millions. In addition to this, products of the mines show an increase of about 3 millions, products of the forests 3 millions, and products of the fisheries 1 million dollars; while the miscellaneous group shows a decrease of about 1 million dollars and foreign merchandise exported a decrease of nearly 2 millions, bringing the total exports for the eleven months of 1904 up to $1,306,175,202, against $1,300,983,517 in the corresponding months of 1903.

On the import side the total importations for eleven months are $939,381,059, against $917,725,693 in the corresponding months of last year. The fact that the imports for the single month of November, 1904, were $95,208,172 seems to justify the statement that the total imports for the calendar year will be over one billion dollars. The greatest increase in imports occurs in articles of food, chiefly sugar and coffee, which divide honors about equally in the increase in imports of foodstuffs. The other group showing an increase is "articles in a crude condition for use in manufacturing," which for the eleven months ending with November, 1904, showed a total of $309,338,579, against $293,439,440 in the corresponding period of last year. The other groups, "articles wholly or partially manufactured, for use in manufacturing", "articles manufactured, ready for consumption," and "articles of voluntary use, luxuries, etc.," show in each case a slight decrease as compared with last year, the figures being: Articles wholly or partially manufactured, for use in manufacturing, $122,122,187, against $140,845,440 in the eleven months' period of last year; manufactured articles ready for consumption, $145,110,133, against $159,872,017 in the same period of last year; and articles of voluntary use, luxuries, etc., $122,184,867, against $130,252,185 in the eleven months of 1903.

RECKLESS DRIVER.

BERLIN, Dec. 31.—A reckless driver of a heavy truck came near running down the carriage of the Empress Augusta Victoria last night. He drove toward the station at full speed, through the police line and directly toward the carriage of the empress and the officers barely succeeded in averting a collision. The driver vigorously resisted arrest.

TWENTY INJURED

CENTRAL VERMONT TRAIN WAS WRECKED.

GRANBY, Que., Dec. 31.—A Central Vermont mixed train was wrecked yesterday two miles east of here by the breaking of a truck on the last passenger coach. The coach was overturned and dragged several rods. Twenty passengers were injured, but the only serious case is that of a seven-year-old child named Robierre of Granby, who has a fractured skull.

Mr. Stephen B. Puffer, the well known manager of the Criterion Knitting company, who resides at No. 952 Middlesex street, says:

"I have used Lowell Gas Coke in my furnace for the past three months and find it more economical than coal, with a much greater heat and more satisfactory to me all around than coal. The obnoxious gases which arise from coal are entirely absent when using Coke, and I consider this point worth considering."

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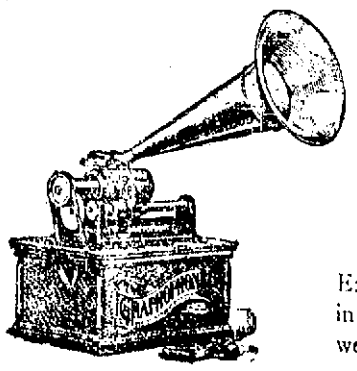

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Branch Street—Middlesex st. at easterly junction of Branch and Middlesex st. Rev. Asa R. Dills, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, Young People's meeting at 5.45, evening service at 6.30.

Chelmsford Street Freewill—Chelmsford st., cor. Plain, Rev. Albert E. Kenyon, pastor. Morning service at 10.30. Sunday school at noon.

Morning, Supt. V. A. Cooper of Little Wanderers Home of Boston, will speak. Children from the home will sing. Evening, "A New Year Message."

Fifth Street—West Fifth st. Rev. Orville Coats, pastor, 727 Bridge st. Morning service at 10.30. Bible school at 12, evening service at 6.30.

First—George st., cor. Church st. Rev. Smith T. Ford, D.D., pastor. Morning service at 10.30. Sunday school at 12. Junior Young People's society at 5.15, evening service at 6.30.

First Freewill—Paige st., Rev. D. B. Martin, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, evening service 6.30.

French Baptist Church—Ennell st., cor. West Sixth, Rev. Isaac LaFleur, pastor.

Immanuel—Blossom st. Rev. Robert F. True, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Y.P.S.C.E. at 5.30, evening service at 6.30.

Morning, "Reminded," followed by Communion. Evening, "The Eternal Past."

Mt. Vernon Free Baptist—Mt. Vernon cor. Butterfield st. Rev. F. E. Carver, pastor.

Morning, A New Year inquiry, "Do I Love the Lord?" Evening, Temperance address.

North Billerica—Rev. Chester Howe, pastor.

Morning, "Time Flies"; evening, Dr. Clifford of the N. E. Home for Little Wanderers, will speak. A chorus of little children will sing.

North Tewksbury Baptist, Rev. C. L. Pierce, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Evening at 6.30.

Morning, "The Greatest Questions." A New Year sermon. Evening "A Lesson From Abraham."

Worthen Street—Rev. Arthur P. Wedge, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, evening service at 6.30, C.E. meeting 5.15.

Morning, "The Pottery of the Year." Evening, "The Healing Rays."

CATHOLIC CHURCHES.

Sunday within the Octave of Christmas. Gospel read in the mass and the general subject of sermons taken from St. Luke II, 33-40.

St. Patrick's—Masses will be sung in the basement at 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11. The 10 o'clock mass will be exclusively for the children, while the 11 o'clock mass will replace the usual high mass.

St. Peter's—Gorham st. Rev. Michael Ronan, rector. First mass at 6, second mass at 7, third mass at 8 (new church), children's mass at 9 (old church), fourth mass at 9, high mass and sermon at 10.30, Sunday school at 2, vespers at 7.

St. Michael's—Sixth st. Rev. John J. Shaw, pastor. First mass at 6.30, children's mass at 8.15, second mass at 9, high mass and sermon at 10.30. Sunday school at 1.30, vespers at 3.

Immaculate Conception (Oblate Fathers), East Merrimack st. between Brown and High. Rev. E. A. Dorian, O.M.I., pastor. First mass at 6, second mass at 7.30, children's mass at 8.30, Sunday school at 2, vespers at 6.30.

Church of the Sacred Heart (Oblate Fathers), Moore st., opp. Andrews st., Rev. John P. Reynolds, O.M.I., pastor. First mass at 6, children's mass at 8, second mass at 9, high mass and sermon at 10.30, Sunday school at 2, vespers at 6.30.

St. Jean Baptiste (Oblate Fathers), Merrimack st., cor. Aiken, Rev. Joseph Mangin, O.M.I., rector. First mass at 7, children's mass at 8.30, high mass with sermon at 10, vespers at 6.30.

St. Joseph's (Oblate Fathers), Lee st. Rev. Leon Lamothe, O.M.I., rector. First mass at 7, second mass at 8.30, high mass and sermon at 10, vespers at 3.

St. Louis—West Sixth st., Rev. J. N. Jacques, rector. First mass at 7, second mass at 8.30, high mass and sermon at 10, vespers at 3.

St. Anthony's (Portuguese) Gorham st., cor. Congress. Rev. Joaquin V. Rosa, pastor. First mass at 8, second mass at 9, and high mass and sermon at 10.30, vespers at 3.30.

Church of the Holy Trinity (Polish) High st.—First mass at 8, high mass and sermon at 10.30, vespers at 4.

CONGREGATIONAL.

Central Congregational church, Chelmsford; Rev. A. F. Earnshaw, pastor.

Centre—Dracut. Morning service at 10.45, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 7.

Rev. Charles P. Marshall, of Andover, will preach morning and evening.

Eliot—Summer st., cor. Favor. Rev. E. Victor Bigelow, pastor, Rev. J. M. Greene, D.D., pastor emeritus. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, Y.P.S.C.E. at 6, evening service at 7.

Morning, Sermon by Rev. E. C. Winslow of Boston. Evening service will be conducted by Rev. Dorr Hudson of No. Chelmsford. The choir with assisting singers will give the beautiful cantata "The Manger Throne," by Mauney.

Evangelical—Tyngsboro, Rev. Sarah A. Dixon, pastor. Morning service at 10.45, Sunday school at 12, Y.P.S.C.E. at 6.30, evening service at 7.

First—Merrimack st. opp. public library, Rev. Ralph Gillam, acting pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, Y.P.S.C.E. at 5.30, evening at 6.30.

Communion service in the morning. Sermon by Rev. J. M. Greene, Subject, "Christ With Us." Evening, "A Successful New Year."

First Trinitarian—Dutton st., cor. Music Hall av. Rev. Geo. F. Kenngott, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 7.

French—Bowers st., cor. Fletcher. Rev. T. G. A. Cote, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 6.30.

High Street—East Merrimack st., cor. High. Rev. C. W. Huntington, D.D., pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, Y.P.S.C.E. at 6.15, evening service at 7.

Highland—Westford st., cor. South Canton. Rev. T. Clayton Welles, pastor. Morning prayer at 10.10, sermon at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, evening at 6.30.

Morning, Communion and reception of members. Subject: "What Is Life Eternal?" Evening, "A Whole Man."

Hillside, Dracut—Rev. J. A. McKnight, pastor. Services at 10.30; Sunday school and pastor's class at 12; Y.P.S.C.E. at 6.15; evening service at 7.

Morning, "Jesus Only." Lecture by the pastor at 7.

Kirk Street—Kirk st., opp. French. Rev. Geo. E. Martin, D.D., pastor. Morning service at 10.30. Sunday school at 12, evening service at 6.30.

Pawtucket—Pawtucket sq. Rev. Edwin B. Smith, minister. Morning worship at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, Y.P.S.C.E. at 6, evening service at 7.

Morning, "A Closer Walk With God." Communion service. Evening "Doing Unusual Things."

Pelham Church—Rev. J. L. Hoyle, pastor. Preaching at 10.45, Sunday school 12.

Second Congregational church, North Chelmsford, Rev. D. A. Hudson, pastor.

Swedish—London st. Rev. F. A. Lindholm pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 7.

Tewksbury Congregational—Morning services at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 6.30.

EPISCOPAL.

All Saints—Chelmsford. Services and sermon at 10.45, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 7, Holy Communion at 10, first Sunday in the month 10.45.

House of Prayer, Walker st., Rev. A. C. Chapman, priest in charge. High mass, 10.30; vespers 7. First Sunday in month—low mass at 8.

St. Anne's, corner Kirk and Merrimack streets, Rev. A. St. John Chambre, D. D., rector.

Sermon and holy communion, 10.30. Evening prayer and sermon 7. Sunday school, 12. Sermons appropriate to the New Year.

St. John's—Gorham st. near court house, Rev. Leander C. Manchester, rector—Morning service at 10.30; Sunday school at 12, evening service at 6.30. Communion first and third Sundays and on the greater festivals.

LUTHERAN.

Swedish—Meadowcroft st., near Moore, Rev. P. E. Asley, pastor. Sunday school at 9, morning service at 10.30, evening service at 7.

METHODIST.

Berean Primitive—Moore st., near Lawrence, Rev. D. Markham, pastor. Morning service at 10.30. Sunday school at 12, evening service at 6.30.

Morning, "What Dawn Revealed." Evening, Sacred special singing concert.

Central Methodist—Paige st., cor. John, Rev. W. W. Shenk, pastor. Morning service at 10.30. Sunday school at 12, Epworth League 5.30, evening service at 6.30.

Morning, "Vision and Faith as Essential Elements in Life's Quiz." Communion and reception of members. Epworth league subject: "Our Goals for 1905," leader, the pastor. Preaching by Presiding Elder, Dr. J. H. Mansfield, in the evening at 6.30. The third quarterly conference at close of evening service.

Centralville M. E.—Bridge st., cor. Hildreth, Rev. F. M. Pickles pastor. Preaching at 10.30 and 6.45, Sunday school at 12, Epworth League at 6.

Sermon morning and evening appropriate to the New Year.

First Primitive—Gorham st., cor. Ellsworth, Rev. Nathaniel W. Matthews, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 6.30.

First Swedish—Moore st., cor. Bourne, Rev. Oscar W. Johnson, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 2, evening service at 6.30.

Highland—Loring st., cor Grove, Rev. H. F. Kingsley, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 6.30.

Morning, reception of new members and sacrament of the Lord's Supper. At 3 Children's church—"The Bottle Sermon." At 6.30, "Our Annual Inventory," and New Year's song service.

St. Paul's—Junction of Hurd and Warren sts., Rev. Geo. R. Dean, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school and Bible class at 12, evening service at 6.30.

Morning, Communion and reception of members. Evening, New Year's resolutions.

Worthen Street—Rev. E. P. Herrick, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, Epworth league at 5.30, evening service at 6.30.

Morning, brief sermon followed by sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Evening subject: "Thoughts for the New Year."

MINISTRY-AT-LARGE.

Free church, Middlesex st., near South, Rev. George C. Wright, minister. Church service at 10.45 a.m. Sunday school at 12.

Morning, "The Conditions Under Which Are Held All the Gifts of Life."

PRESBYTERIAN.

First—Appleton st., cor Davis, Rev. James M. Craig, pastor. Morning service at 10.30; Sunday school at 12; evening at 7.

Morning, "Seeing Things Rightly;" evening, "Wise Reckoning of Time."

Westminster United Presbyterian, Tyler st. Hours of service 10.30 and 7.

Morning, "Ring Out the Old. Ring in the New." Evening, "A Good Resolve."

UNITARIAN.

Chelmsford Centre Unitarian—Rev. A. D. K. Shurtleff, pastor. Morning service at 10.45, Young people's guild at 7.

First—Merrimack st., opp. John, Rev. Chas. T. Billings, pastor. Regular morning service at 10.45, Sunday school after morning service.

UNIVERSALIST.

First—Hurd st., Rev. Caleb B. Fisher, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Y.P.S.C.E. at 6.

Morning, "Thoughts for the New Year." Evening, Union service in First Unitarian church.

Grace—Princeton st., cor. South Canton, Rev. Ransom A. Greene, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12.

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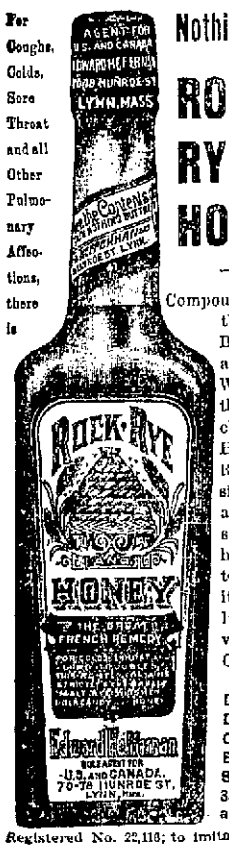

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Type of Fortress Against Which Japan Is Contending

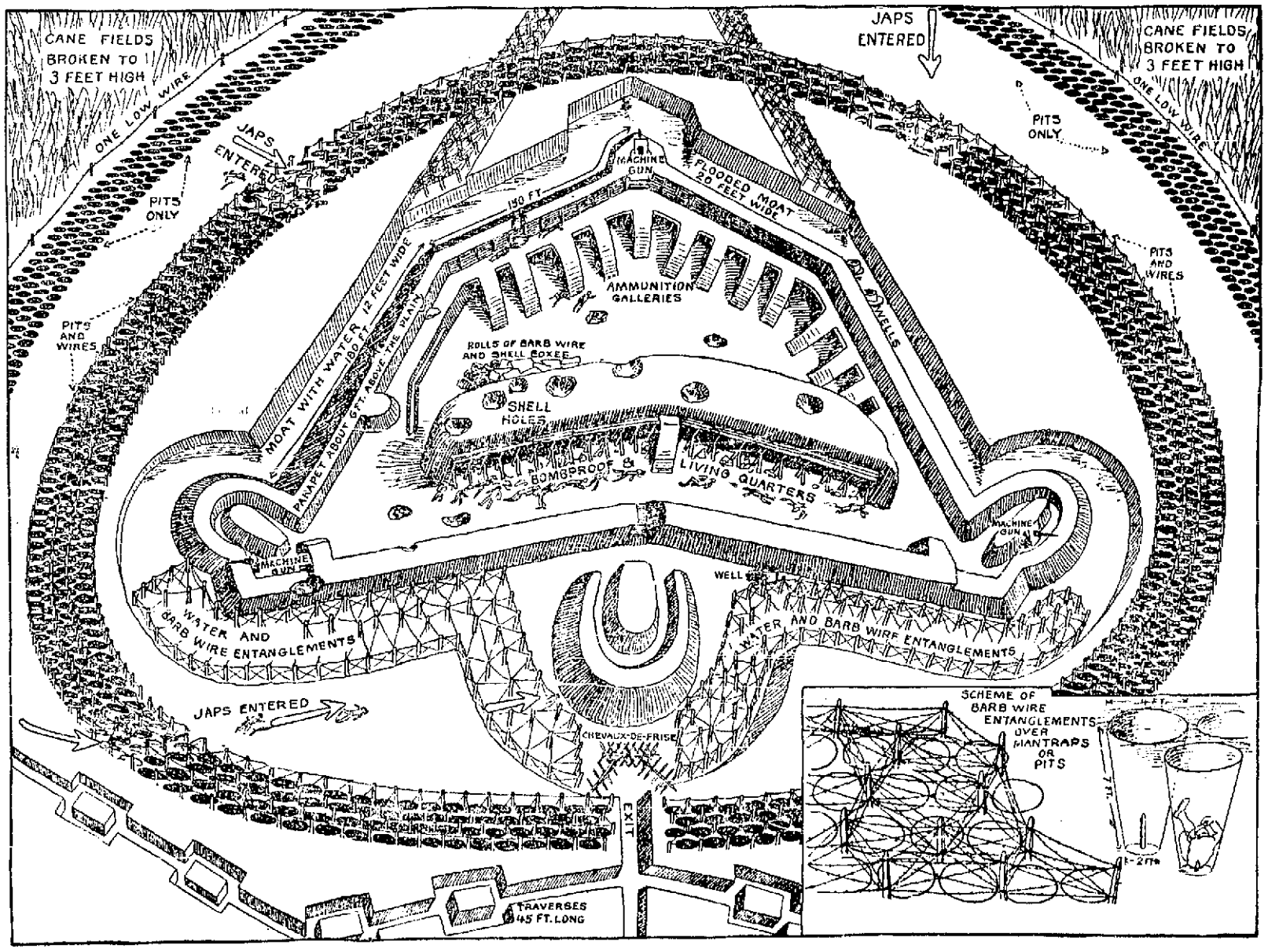
THERE is nothing so well calculated to convey an accurate understanding of the almost insuperable difficulties which have met the Japanese advance in Manchuria as a somewhat detailed study of one of the formidable redoubts which the Russians have constructed as the outer defenses of all the fortified points at which they have made a stand.

These earthworks are beyond question the most efficient ever built under similar conditions, and they are very numerous. At one point which was eventually dominated by the Japanese no less than eleven of these monstrous death traps stood between the eager assailants and their prey. They are so nearly alike, differing only in size and minor arrangements, that a description of one will suffice for all.

They are constructed on the level plain and are irregularly ovoid in shape. They are almost invariably surrounded by fields of grain, the inner boundary of which is marked by a single line of barbed wire stretched just above the ground. Immediately within this rather harmless looking and partially concealed wire are four contiguous rows of pits, each of which is a cruel and ingeniously contrived death trap. The pits are in the form of an inverted truncated cone and are about four feet across the top and two at the bottom. They are seven feet in depth, and the bottom of each is provided with an upturned steel spike of an especially murderous pattern. These yawning sepulchers have swallowed many an advance troop of infantry, flushed with the day's successes and at eventide gallantly making a final charge across the grainfield, there to be precipitated by the hidden wire into the very arms of death.

Those who succeed in crossing this quadruple danger line reach a stretch of level surface which is free from any danger more deadly than that derived from the fire of the machine guns mounted in the horseshoe laterals of the parapet. An advance of a few hundred yards brings them face to face with another peril. This is also constructed of four parallel rows of pits like the outer scheme, re-enforced by an ingenious entanglement of barbed wire so woven and interwoven that passage across the barrier is well nigh hopeless. Once within this devilish system of mantraps, a fresh interposition in the form of a flooded moat presents itself. This immense ditch is from twelve to twenty feet in width and deep enough to check a sudden advance of foot soldiers. At its inner margin are located the wells which supply the garrison. By this time the fortification has assumed a triangular appearance and is outlined and further protected by a parapet six feet above the level surface of the plain. This strong earthwork is expanded into horseshoe laterals at the angles and apex, and these are provided with machine guns of the most modern type.

Just within the apex of the triangle are the ammunition galleries, which are bombproof, and in the center of the inner inclosure are the bombproof living quarters for the garrison. Although these are excavations, an earthwork mound above them makes possible the entrance of sufficient air and light, so that these underground habitations are less uncomfortable than might be supposed.



A TYPICAL RUSSIAN FORT IN MANCHURIA, CAPTURED BY THE JAPANESE.

This brief description includes the essential features of the redoubt. In addition to this, the entire length of the base of the triangle, which contains the exit to the system, is further safeguarded. In the center and just without the parapet, guarding both the inner and the outer exits, is another horseshoe fort, and between this and the outer exit are fixed supplemental menaces in the form of bristling chevaux-de-frise. Beginning at the lateral horseshoe forts, the moat expands, and the water is filled with barbed wire entanglements. Between the two mantrap systems, and on both sides of the outer exit, traverses are interposed, making enfilading almost impossible.

After becoming familiar with the plan of these almost impregnable redoubts, one ceases to marvel that 3,000 Japanese soldiers fell during a night attack on one of them. The wonder is that the valiant little men of the island empire have succeeded in breaking into so many of these strongholds. The cut shows the points at which this particular fortress was entered.

A WONDERFUL FEAT OF SURGICAL SKILL.

Lolita Armour, the little nine-year-old daughter of the head of the great packing house trust of Chicago, is a living witness to the skill of Dr. Adolf Lorenz of Vienna, the famous specialist in the reduction of dislocations. The deformity was congenital, the hip joints having no articulation, so that all hope of assuming an upright position was fruitless under the existing circumstances. Fortunately for the little cripple her father was able to give her the benefit of the best surgical ability in the world, and with that purpose in view Dr. Lorenz was summoned to America. The surgeon came and reduced the deformity, making a second visit a few months later to remove the plaster cast. Last spring Lolita was taken to Vienna, and she remained there for several months until a complete cure was made.

LOLITA ARMOUR.

CURIOUS RELIGIOUS SECT.

There is at least one religious sect which is composed entirely of women. It was started two or three years ago by an elderly peasant woman of Soznova, in the Russian province of Samara, near the river Volga. She calls herself and is called by her followers "the Blessed Mother." She has a bodyguard of women known as the "Ten Wise Virgins," and these as well as herself are credited with remarkable powers. All her followers are women, and they live like troglodytes in holes in a cliff. They take turns to go to the villages for supplies, lead a life of fasting and prayer, hold their rituals at night and believe that the world will in a short time perish in one grand conflagration.

1905 A HAPPY NEW YEAR 1905

NEW YEAR'S

KATE CLYDE Makes Several Sage Suggestions Concerning the Universal "Resolutionizing" Habit --- The Pernicious Literary Tendency --- Cashmere Reigns Supreme In Its Field

A HAPPY New Year to you! In spite of this cheerful beginning it occurs to me that New Year's is not as cheerful a holiday as it might be. Some of us who are afflicted with consciences are apt to think of what we have left undone during the past year. Viewed in the light of retrospection, the months do not seem as well filled as they ought to have been. What on earth have we done with a whole year, and what have we to show for it?

I have one ultra-practical friend who takes account of stock on the 31st day of December somewhat after this fashion:

Number of friends gained.....
Number of friends lost.....
Good deeds performed.....
Clever deeds performed.....
Idiotic deeds performed.....
Illnesses .....
Pieces of good luck.....
Talents cultivated .....

—and a few more of the like. She says she finds it very soul satisfying. I'm afraid I shouldn't, for a very good reason—I hate to be reminded that I frittered most of my time away, and, then, reason No. 2, I haven't a conscience which finds pleasure in self vivisection.

But in return to the subject of New Year's conscience examinations. Of course one makes multitudinous good resolutions. Thank heaven, we have at least the blessed privilege of beginning a fresh page! Some of these New Year's resolutions do not last through January, but here is one which might with profit last through the entire year. I refer to the resolution to be dignified.

"The resolution to be dignified!" I hear some one exclaim. Well, yes, exactly that. It is a New Year's resolution which would benefit many people if they had the sense to make it.

Importance of Dignity.

Some of the most charming women I have met were not social successes because they lacked this quality. She who wears her heart so that they who run may read and she who has no reserve are unlikely to be held in very high esteem. With all due respect to the average woman, it is not good policy to show her your entire hand. She values you so long as you are a mystery, or at least somewhat of a mystery, and then as soon as she thinks she has you stripped of all your tinsel and furbelows she labels you "Class A; very ordinary," and leaves you there. So you see it is justice as well to keep a few of your affairs to yourself.

New Year's resolutions.

And don't tell your troubles. That is another good New Year's resolution. Once you begin doing that you are lost. The woman who has learned to choke down her troubles and keep them for her own delectation has won half the battle of life, and her popularity is such that she is in great demand.

Can't you remember, for the matter of that, friends of yours that you liked very much, but who left you all tired out and with a dry taste in your mouth every time they departed after a call? You felt strangely depressed, as if life was not worth living, and upon thinking it over you came to the conclusion that it was the conversation that had so woefully affected you, their conversation which was devoid of even one ray of sunshine, but was simply a string of hard luck tales. I suppose every community, every town, every village, has its Calamity Jane, but if I had my way she would be barred forever from cheerful society.

There is only one variety of hostess who enjoys hard luck tales. To her sympathetic bosom you may flee, and neither the length nor the dolefulness of your stories, not even tears, will appall her. But, my friends, she is the sympathetic soul who fattens on your misfortunes, because they furnish her with fine material for conversation with her other friends. How your ears would burn if you could hear her as she relates your hard luck and assigns her own reasons for it, usually your stupidity and lack of knowledge of the world, while if she had been there in your place—

A string of hard luck tales.

Oh, no; don't tell your troubles!
What is the use?

The Literary Habit.

And a third and last New Year's resolution—don't write things. The literary instinct has proved a deadly one for many a well intentioned woman. If you feel that you must pour out your soul on paper pour it out in a story and then sign a false name to it and sell it for publication and get money for it. There is in one of the reigning musical comedies a very fetching little song which illustrates this charmingly. It is called "In Black and White," and it points out the insidious dangers of having things down in black and white. You can deny it brought right up against it that you ever did or said a foolish thing, but you can never go back on a piece of writing, which speaks louder than words, and, alas, far more permanently.

So if you are wise deny yourself this particular luxury.

If there is anything which makes me chuckle it is to read an article written by an ambitious young space writer on how any woman who is a perfect lady can clothe herself on 2 cents a year. The article is spread out like thin butter on a large piece of bread so that it will cover an entire column, and I see the impecunious young author pocketing the $8 which the column is worth and blowing it in all at one fell swoop to counteract the doleful depression caused by considering economy even from a literary standpoint.

Blowing it in.

They say Americans have no respect for authority, and it must be pretty true, according to a recent popular definition—Authority, one who can bluff you beyond your limit! Sometimes I think myself that bluffing is the correct thing when I see how well some people make it work.

The American Way.

This is certainly a great country. We are nervous and excitable and, above all, versatile. While a certain percentage of the population is admiring Don Caspar, the Swashbuckler, as he struts before the footlights and kills two men with his right hand and four with his left, not to speak of scattering Gadzooks and Bodkins, another portion of America is sitting in open mouthed admiration of Ibsen or trying to take in Bernard Shaw at one gulp. And the actors expounding the swashbuckling melodrama get just as many curtain calls as the artists who elucidate the last named gentlemen.

So much for our national taste as to the "drammer."

"But eet ees ze quickness and ze beesness sense of ze Americans zat surprise me," remarked a French friend of mine the other day. "Behold even ze children! I walk down ze street. I see a newsstand. Blen, by zat newsstand comes a small boy. He seize a paper, he r-r-run like mad. Some one he give chase. Cry, 'Stop t'ief! Ze boy he r-run like ze meeschief. Before he reach ze end of ze street zey see him hand ze paper to a monsieur and receive ze penny in return. All zis vizout stopping to get hees breath, and he haf sold eet before zey can catch heem! Now, do you not call zat ze good American beesness sense?"

Cashmere Is "It."

It almost breaks my heart to leave this diversified sort of conversation and descend to mere fashion, but I feel it my bounden duty to let you know that cashmere is distinctively "it" so far as semidressy gowns go. You may not like it, call it all the names you want to—"old maidish," "slinky," "unbecoming"—but, take my word for it, it is smart. The becomingness depends upon the way in which it is made. The simpler the mode the better. A plaited skirt—the material lends itself admirably to this—and a full, soft waist with a wide girdle make a popular pattern. Oriental embroideries are much used for trimming this sort of dress, and if you invest in a rather bright blue cashmere ornamented with black and blue oriental trimmings take my word for it you will not be sorry.

Kate Clyde

New York.

VELVET STREET COSTUME.

The smart costume illustrated is of spotted black velvet, princess in effect. The front skirt panel is of plain black velvet held together at the top with handsome ornaments of silk braid. The bodice is gathered becomingly about the figure, trimmed with braid and encircled with a ceinture of plain black velvet.

HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

Few persons realize how much of their happiness, such as it is, is dependent upon their work, upon the fact that they are kept busy and not left to feed upon themselves. Happiness comes most to those who seek it least and think least about it. It is not an object to be sought; it is a state to be induced. It must follow and not lead. It must overtake you and not you it.

MME. CURIE

The Discoverer of Radium Is Still Investigating

NOTHING much has been heard or written of radium recently. Secondary experimenters have told all they know about it, but its discoverer, Mme. Curie, is silent. She, too, told all she knew about it at the time of its discovery. After that she betook herself with more zeal than ever to her researches in the laboratory. She said not long since that we know scarcely anything as yet of the possibilities of this mysterious substance. She expects wonderful results from it, but what these are she no more than any of the secondary investigators knows till she finds out at first hand. When she does she will further facts for certain she herself will tell us the scientific truth about radium.

MME. CURIE.

It must be gratifying to every fair minded person that credit for the greatest scientific discovery of the twentieth century has been given where it belongs—to a woman. A few years ago this would not have been done. Many a woman has done things scarcely less remarkable than Mme. Curie's achievement, and men, who write the encyclopedias and makes reports to the scientific societies, claimed the credit for himself. Even the honor of discovering radium would have been wrested from Mme. Curie only for the sense of justice of her own husband. The French government offered him the cross of the Legion of Honor. He declined because, he said, his wife was properly entitled to it. The honor unconsciously shown by all the world toward women is evinced in the fact that at the time of the discovery of radium newspapers throughout civilization spoke of Professor Pierre Curie as its original finder, some of them mentioning his wife as his "assistant."

Here is the actual truth concerning the discovery of radium: Professor and Mme. Curie worked in the same laboratory, usually along separate lines of investigation. Mme. Curie was intensely interested in radio activity, as shown in the so called Becquerel rays, thrown off from uranium. The mineral chalcolite showed radio activity in a more powerful degree than uranium. Note now what this original investigator did. She knew the constituents of chalcolite, and she put these together and made an artificial chalcolite. It did not emit the radiant rays. The rays, then, came from some substance mingled with the mineral. Mme. Curie experimented till she separated that substance—radium.

The husband's part in it consisted in at length becoming so interested in his wife's experiments that he aided her, and both together spent all the money they had laid up ($1,000) in buying pitchblende, which contained the radium. It had to be imported by the ton from Bohemia. A whole ton of pitchblende contains only three grains of radium.

It is pitiful to think how poor the Curies were when they sacrificed their last penny to science. They lived in a one story cottage in a suburb of Paris. Poverty has haunted the gifted pair all their lives until within a year past. She, Mlle. Sklodowska, a young Polish girl, went from her native Warsaw to study mathematics and the natural sciences in Paris. She was too poor to enter the great universities, so enrolled herself as student in a free school conducted for working people by the municipality of Paris. The teacher of physics and chemistry in that school was Professor Pierre Curie. Mlle. Sklodowska, a natural born chemist, became his assistant in the laboratory. Her remarkable talent and her skill in manipulation astonished the professor. In order to continue her studies she confined herself to the bare necessities of living.

Pierre Curie was in time chosen professor in the Mechanics' institute of Paris. The remuneration was very little, however. Professor Curie had become so accustomed to his laboratory assistant by this time, also so attached to her, that he could not look forward to a future without her. He proposed marriage to her and was accepted.

So the two gifted ones put their respective poverties together and were married. Mme. Curie accepted a place as teacher of physics in a girls' high school at Sevres, wages $500 a year, less than a good saleswoman in an American city dry goods store receives. To save car fare both Professor and Mme. Curie rode to and from their schools upon bicycles. Their little house was bare of all ornamentation, of nearly all that appeals to the aesthetic sense. Their only luxury, if one might call it so, was their baby daughter, Irene, a beautiful child, who has had always the tenderest love and care from both father and mother.

The time they could spare from school, all the money they could save from household expenses, went into original chemical research, which they prosecuted in a tumbledown little laboratory, because they could afford nothing better.

So it was when in 1900 came on the scientific word like a thunderclap the announcement that there is on this earth a substance which shines by its own light without any apparent diminution of bulk and produces upon living organisms effects so weird and terrible that too great familiarity with it even in experimenting is dangerous.

After the discovery of radium the Curies were placed beyond the pinching of poverty by the award of several prizes, bestowed for scientific achievements, which amounted to over $30,000. M. Curie was made professor of general physics in the Sorbonne university at Paris, with Mme. Curie as his assistant. No doubt it would have turned the old Sorbonne upside down from its foundations and shocked the masculine population of France crazy if madame instead of M. Curie had been appointed professor of physics. So it goes in this one legged world.

Highly entertaining is the story a Polish gentleman tells of Mme. Curie's childhood in Warsaw. Her father, M. Sklodowska, teacher of sciences, had just two objects to live for—his work and his little daughter. The gentleman was a friend of M. Sklodowska and spent many an hour in his laboratory. There, too, the child who was to discover radium spent most of her time. She never cared for toys, like other children. Retorts and test tubes were her toys. Almost from babyhood she manipulated them with the skill of a trained chemist. Once or twice, indeed, the gentleman was surprised to see her when a very small child enter the laboratory carrying a dilapidated old doll, but no sooner did she catch sight of her father's friend than she deposited the doll in his arms, while she turned to the chemicals with the zest with which ordinary children make mud pies.

Mme. Curie is a blond, with beautiful yellow hair, large, nobly developed head and the slightly "tiptilted" nose seen in many Poles. She is as simple, sincere and modest in her ways as all great souls have been since the world began. The friend who knew her in her childhood lately said to her:

"Why do you work so hard? Surely you can take a little rest now."

With the rarely sweet smile that is all her own, the famous woman answered:

"How can I think of resting when there is so much to learn and so much to do?"

MARILLA WEAVER.

FOR THE NEW YEAR.

Rev. Louis Albert Banks recommends the following ten noble resolutions for the new year. They consist of five "will nots" and five "wills:"

First.—I will not gossip myself nor listen to it from another.

Second.—I will not speak while angry.

Third.—I will not worry.

Fourth.—I will not quarrel.

Fifth.—I will not talk about my troubles.

Sixth.—I will express appreciation and thanks for every favor received.

Seventh.—I will seize every opportunity to give happiness to children.

Eighth.—I will exercise patience toward people who are overburdened with labor or sorrow.

Ninth.—I will seek constantly to cultivate the affection of my family and friends.

Tenth.—I shall live with a hand ready to give a lift to the man or woman who is down.

A BEAUTIFUL AFTERNOON GOWN.

The gown illustrated is worn by Mlle. Marthe Regnier of the Vaudeville theater, Paris. It is charmingly carried out in a soft, silky champagne cloth. At the bottom of the plaited skirt is a deep band of chiffon taffeta of the same tone. On top of each plait is an ornament of silk braid. The bodice blouses slightly back and front above a ceinture of braid. Lace forms the mitten cuffs, small revers and shoulder epaulets which are threaded with brown velvet.

A RETURN TO THE TRULY REFINED LIFE.

FROM the fuss made about the "simple life" lately one might think nobody in America knows how to live it any more, and, indeed, we are come to that pass when those who have been brought up on the simple life are sometimes ashamed of it when they ought to glory in it.

There never was a more truly civilized, refined existence than that led by the early Quakers, or Friends, in this country. For gentleness and that combination of sweet temper and good manners at home which constitutes the really high bred person the primitive Quaker family in America will stand as a model to their countrymen so long as this republic shall last. In immaculate cleanliness of home and person—one of the first essentials of real refinement—few have equaled them. At the same time their homes were filled with warmth, light, good cheer. Their food, while plain, was the best and most nourishing; their clothing, plain, too, was of fine quality, none better.

Living thus, divesting the supplying of man's mere animal wants of vulgar show and snobbery, these canny Quakers had time for thought and study and that mental and spiritual growth which is the only true culture. From those gentle, sincere people descended many of the ablest public men this country has known. Not spending their wealth on race horses at $40,000 each or lace at $1,000 a yard, the early Friends had always abundant means for comfort, for travel, for scholastic education and for philanthropy.

Best of all, with the one standard of living, a generous, though simple one, there was not among them the social class distinction that characterizes American life today. If a woman was refined and well bred, though she earned her living as a domestic, she was as much esteemed as the Friend whom she worked for. There was no real poverty among these early Friends.

It is changed now. We think we require so many clothes, horses and carriages, so much plate and china and tangling drapery stuff, such swarms of menials, that life itself is smothered among its appurtenances. One understands and sympathizes altogether with those sturdy Long Island farmers who declined in a body the invitation to dine with the members of New York's most fashionable hunting club. Is it not enough to choke a quiet person to swallow his food with two or three foreign lackeys standing behind his chair, listening to every word he says and watching sneeringly for him to make some break in the manner of fashionable food taking? What if one should pick up the wrong fork or knife or "spoon in" when the vogue of the moment called on him to spoon out?

"Oh, General Sherman, you are using the wrong fork!" said an American hostess of the new-rich variety to the great soldier. She was so absorbed in spoons that she lost sight of good manners.

JANE MOSES.

POISONED FOOD

Woman Tried to Kill Her Family

SHE IS DEAD AND HUSBAND IS ILL

Doctors Say She Was Weak Mentally

MORRISVILLE, Vt., Dec. 31.—Mrs. Newell Ellsworth is dead, her husband critically ill, and their ten-year-old son seriously sick, as the result, according to Health Officer C. C. Rublee, of eating food in which poison had been placed by the mother during a temporary fit of insanity.

The report of the health officer, which was also signed by Dr. G. L. Bates, the family physician, was made public last night, after a thorough investigation at the Ellsworth home yesterday. The family were poisoned more than two weeks ago. Mrs. Ellsworth died early yesterday and the chances are against the recovery of her husband. The son is recovering.

The doctors learned that Mrs. Ellsworth had been in a weak mental condition for some time past. On the night of December 14 shortly after the evening meal, Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth and their young son, were taken violently ill. It was at first believed that the illness had been induced by insufficiently cooked food, but Dr. Bates, who was summoned to attend the cases found that the family was suffering from poison which appeared to have been put in the food.

His investigation yesterday proved to the satisfaction of both himself and Health Officer Rublee that Mrs. Ellsworth, while suffering from homicidal mania, mixed the poison with the food served at supper. Young Ellsworth responded readily to the treatment administered by Dr. Bates, but the condition of his father and mother grew rapidly worse. Mrs. Ellsworth early yesterday succumbed and when Dr. Bates left the bedside of Mr. Ellsworth last night, he said the condition of the poisoned man was critical.

It is not probable that further official action will be taken by the authorities, the report submitted by Drs. Bates and Rublee showing satisfactorily that the woman was mentally irresponsible.

This is the time to buy coal. See Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

REPAIR BARNS BURNED.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Fire last night completely destroyed the repair barns of the Chicago Union Traction company at 40th and Western avenues, entailing a loss of $150,000. Fully a half a dozen families were compelled by the firemen to leave their homes, which were endangered.

INCENDIARY FIRE

Bad Blaze in Providence Lumber Yard

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 31.—The fourth big lumber fire, apparently of incendiary origin, which has occurred during the past four months, broke out last night, and occasioned the sounding of a general alarm, bringing out all the available apparatus in the city and caused an estimated loss of $100,000, covered by insurance.

The fire started about 9 o'clock in a shingle shed of H. A. Grimwood & Co. at 1163 Westminster street, and quickly made its way through seven of the nine storage sheds owned by the company and communicated to the adjacent yards of L. Vaughan & Co. The former company incurred a larger loss of about $70,000, the Vaughan company estimating its damage at nearly $30,000.

Surrounding the burning section were a number of small wooden structures, for the most part barns and tenement houses, but excellent work by the firemen prevented their igniting though the damage to them was imminent at times.

The extinguishing of the fire was without accident, and occupied about three hours. A noteworthy circumstance of the fire was that a special watchman employed by the company since the series of similar fires in September, was discharged on last Saturday night, the yard being left without this extra precaution against fire. A man said to have been seen running from the scene a short time before the fire started is believed to have some connection with its origin.

Last night's fire was the second largest in damage of the quartet of lumber yard fires, the largest having been that of Burrows & Kenyon on Sept. 26, when over $100,000 damage was done.

NO BONES BROKEN

BOY WAS DRAWN INTO A BIG PULP PRESS.

SANDY HILL, N. Y., Dec. 31.—John Stockton, a pressfeeder in the Union Bag and Paper company's mill here, had a remarkable escape from death yesterday.

He was cleaning the big pulp press when his hands were caugt between a six-inch roll and the felt-covered bed, and before the machine was stopped his entire body, with the exception of his feet, had passed under the roll.

Under normal conditions, the space between the roll and the bed is scarcely more than a quarter of an inch, yet the physicians who examined Stockton found that not a single bone had been broken, and they expressed the belief that he would recover. Stockton is 19 years old.

DANCING PARTY.

The Jolly Six held a pretty dancing party at Associate hall last night. There was a large attendance and music for dancing was furnished by Atwood's orchestra. The affair proved to be a success both from a social and a financial standpoint.

HIS LEG CUT OFF

Quincy Boy Injured While Coasting

QUINCY, Dec. 31.—While coasting across Water street in front of his home yesterday afternoon, Percy Lubarsky, the seven-year-old son of David Lubarsky of 30 Water street, was run over by a heavy four-horse stone wagon and his right leg cut off below the knee.

The stone wagon, which was owned by the C. H. Hardwick granite firm, was driven by Dennis Connors of Morton street, who has the reputation of being a careful driver. The wagon with its load of granite is estimated to have weighed from 12 to 15 tons.

The Lubarsky boy was sliding from a little snow mound on the side of the road across Water street. Those in the vicinity say that the driver did not see the boy in time to stop his horses. The sled struck the rear wheel of the wagon and threw him under it.

The little fellow was taken to the Quincy city hospital in an ambulance, but suffered terribly before the conveyance came, as it happened that physicians could not be secured promptly. When the lad was put on the operating table at the hospital the surgeons found little to do in the line of amputation, as the wagon had done it for them. After being put to bed he suffered from the effects of the shock and was in a serious condition last night.

The police authorities investigated and reported that the driver of the wagon was not at fault.

GENERAL DALTON

RECOMMENDS THAT CAMP GROUNDS BE SOLD.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Adjutant General Samuel Dalton who will retire from the state service next week after being in command of the militia for 20 years, submitted his annual report to Gov. John L. Bates yesterday. In the report General Dalton renews his recommendations that the state camp grounds at South Framingham be sold. The report says:

"The militia has maintained the high standard of last year, the average attendance at ordered duty is the largest I have ever known, and general earnestness pervades the entire force."

The report refers to the annual encampment held in the state and to the manoeuvres at Manassas, Va., and says that it has been proposed to have manoeuvres in Massachusetts by the state force and regulars combined and that this is receiving consideration.

Continuing, the report says:

"The First regiment has made progress in the work of heavy artillery, and the board of revision of the law to conform to the new national militia bill will undoubtedly advocate the organization of this regiment to conform to the same arm in the regular service. The force now allowed by law is 485 officers and 6,116 enlisted men. Returns from cities and towns with estimates, show the number of enrolled militia to be 496,137, an increase of 1,078 over the previous year."

CHORAL SOCIETY

EFFORTS TO ORGANIZE A REPRESENTATIVE ONE IN LOWELL.

Twelve of the musically inclined, and talented, met last evening and discussed the possibility of organizing a choral society in Lowell and the chances for a representative choral society are, to say the least, rather hopeful.

Prof. Henry G. Blaisdell of Concord, N. H., a noted oratorio and choral conductor was present and addressed the meeting. He said:

"I am willing to demonstrate to you that Lowell is still good musically and will give you my best efforts in the instrumental and choral line. I feel well assured of the farmer, but want the hearty co-operation of every singer in Lowell and vicinity to make sure of the latter."

Hon. George A. Marden pledged his best efforts to make the proposed organization a success.

Mrs. Julian Talbot was present at the outset of the meeting and promised the support of the leading social people of the city. Others who spoke in favor were Mr. Thomas Roniger, Mr. Henri Lavigeur, Mr. David Moffugh and Mr. Edward Mason.

The first rehearsal and meeting is called for next Thursday evening, Jan. 5, at 8 o'clock sharp, in Odd Fellows' banquet hall on Middlesex street, and every singer in Lowell and suburbs is invited without further notice. These standard choruses will be sung: "Unfold Ye Portals" and "Lovely Appear" from Gounod's oratorio, "The Redemption," the "Hallejah" chorus from the "Messiah," and "To Thee, O Country," by Eichberg. All singers who have copies should bring them.

DANCING PARTY

UNDER AUSPICES OF NEWPORT SOCIAL CLUB.

The second annual dancing assembly of the popular Newport Social club in Associate hall last evening proved a grand social success. The music for the dancing was by Kittredge's singing orchestra.

The success of the affair was due to the following efficient committee of arrangements: President, David McWilliams; general manager, Frank Johnson; assistant general manager, John Farrell; treasurer, James Hall; floor director, C. W. Royer; assistant floor director, Edward Norton. The above were ably assisted by the following aids: Daniel O'Connell, Gerald Gannon, James Gafferny, William Hall, James McWilliams, William McWilliams.

HELD IN $2500

MAN WAS ACCUSED OF VOTING FRAUD.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Thirty months in the house of correction was the sentence imposed by Judge Almy in the Cambridge court yesterday, upon William H. Ford of Charlestown for aiding and abetting illegal voting in Cambridge at the last municipal election. He appealed and was held in $2500 for the grand jury.

Ford is alleged to have secured several Boston men to vote in Cambridge for McNamee on certain names furnished them on cards. Of these men, John J. Kelleher, Henry J. Sullivan and William Kemmett are now serving sentences of nine months in the house of correction for the offence.

WHIPPING POST

GRAND JURY SAYS IT WOULD BE GOOD THING.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The local grand jury, in making its final report for the present term of the supreme court for the district of Columbia yesterday recommended the establishment of the whipping post in the district.

The question has been considerably agitated ever since the president in his last annual message recommended corporal punishment for wife beaters in the district of Columbia. The recommendation of the grand jury is as follows:

"The desirability of establishing the whipping post as a means of punishing wife beaters and petty larceny offences has been investigated by this body, and the majority of the members are of the opinion that it would prove very effective in decreasing the number of these reprehensible crimes."

A recommendation that persons about to be married produce evidence of freedom from certain diseases also is made.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Star of Lowell Circle, No. 382, Companions of the Forest, held a well attended meeting last night. The election of officers was the all important event of the evening, the following being selected to fill the chairs during the ensuing term: Chief companion, Sarah Clark; sub-chief companion, Mrs. Moirs; financial secretary, Maria J. Markham; treasurer, Mrs. Linesey; recording secretary, Esther Finley; right guide, Mary Dacey; left guide, Mrs. Dewire; inside guard, Katie Russell; outside guard, Arthur Linesey.

Following the meeting the members repaired to the dance hall, where a social dance was enjoyed until midnight under the direction of the following corps of efficient directors: General manager, Sarah Clark; assistant general manager, Maria J. Markham; floor director, Katie Russell; assistant floor director, Mrs. Moirs; aids, Mrs. Dewire, Mrs. Linesey, Mr. Linesey, Miss Georgehegan, Miss O'Laughlin and Miss Halloran.

Division 1, A. O. H., held a well attended meeting last night. There were five propositions for membership and four initiations. The following officers recently elected were installed: President, John J. Klasella; vice president, John J. Talty; recording secretary, Patrick Connelly; financial secretary, William Nelson; treasurer, John Hickey; physician, Dr. Cassidy.

The meeting of Passaconaway Tribe No. 32, Improved Order of Red Men, was largely attended, the election of the chiefs being an incentive for the members to turn out in large numbers. The following named were elected: Prophet, Frank Riley; sachem, D. Glen Hurd; senior sagamore, John Gray; junior sagamore, Charles Martin; chief of records, Arthur W. Garland; keeper of wampum, Edward T. Coward; collector of wampum, Charles N. Leach; trustee of wampum, Charles Howarth; official press correspondent, James H. Hickey.

A communication was received from Quannapowitt Tribe, No. 60, of Reading, stating that all arrangements had been made to give the brothers from this tribe a great blow-out January 3.

Under the head of good of the order interesting remarks were made by the chiefs-elect, the great junior sagamore, O. A. Libby and visiting brothers. At the close of the council fire whist and a social time was enjoyed.

BAD BOOK AGENT

Uses Ministers' Names to Help Him Out

The Lowell public are warned to look out for a trickster book agent who uses the name of certain clergymen in order to sell his books. The police have a fairly good description of the man and it is up to him to shake the dust of Lowell from his feet. He offers a series of publications on America and not only will he use the name of the minister in the parish where he operates but, when he sees the prospects of immediate sale are a bit dark, he will ask the lady to keep the books and look them over.

The lady can't see any harm in keeping the books for a few days. She thinks perhaps her husband would like the books and she tells the agent that he may leave them. That gentleman is very polished and with the ads of a pink tea favorite he asks the lady to sign a receipt. "a mere matter of form," he says, and when hubby arrives in the evening he discovers that the receipt was a bona-fide contract to subscribe for the entire publication and the price named is about $60.

The attention of one clergyman was called to the book agent's game yesterday afternoon when two men called at his house. One of the women said that on Thursday a man representing himself to be an agent of a publishing company issuing a series of publications, called at her house and endeavored to sell her the set. The payments were to be made on the installment plan on the receipt of each book.

The woman explained to the so-called agent that she liked the works but that she would not buy them until she had consulted her husband. The agent most persistently tried to make a sale but being unsuccessful, finally asked the woman if she would allow him to leave the books with her in order that her husband might see them in the evening.

The woman after some hesitation, told the agent that he might leave the books and on doing so was asked by him if she had any objection to signing a receipt stating that the books had been left in her care. The woman not suspecting any trickery readily agreed. The paper was signed, the agent takin one slip and, giving the woman a duplicate.

When the woman's husband came home she told him of the transaction, and he asked to see the slip of paper that the agent had left. On viewing it, it took but a glance to see that his wife had signed a bona-fide contract to subscribe for the publication.

The woman explained that when the agent had called upon her he said that he had been recommended by the minister to sell if possible the entire set to her.

21ST ANNIVERSARY

OBSERVED BY COURT MIDDLESEX F. OF A.

The 21st anniversary of Court Middlesex, F. of A., was observed last night in Foresters' hall with a concert and dance. The members and their friends turned out in the number of about 300 and a fine time was enjoyed during the evening. A fine concert program was carried out between eight and nine o'clock by Hibbard's orchestra, after which dancing was enjoyed until a late hour.

Those who had charge of the affair and assisted in making it the grand success which it was were as follows:

General manager, John H. Coudon, C. R.; assistant general manager, Patrick F. Kennedy, S. C. R., floor director, James F. Lawn; assistant floor director, Thomas E. Magee; chief aid, Frank J. Jeffers, S. B.; aids, Jere T. Geary, treasurer; Thomas F. Quinn, jr., P. C. R.; Frank J. Campbell, P. C. R.; John H. Farley, trustee; John W. Downing, trustee; Hugh J. Gallagher, lecturer; Joseph J. Gilely, Joseph McGann, George E. Richards, Harvey E. Clay, Frank J. Dunn, James J. Ward, George F. Andrews, Pearl R. Kinney, Sidney C. Brissett, Bernard M. Meehan. Reception committee, Charles Connors, P. C. R.; Patrick A. Conlon, P. C. R.; John A. Andrews, P. C. R.; John Slack, P. C. R.; Francis Donovan, J. B.; Frank Brick, S. W.; James McCullough, J. W.; John J. Magee, F. S.; Daniel Rock, James Gorman, William J. Higgins, James J. J. Magee, F. S.; Daniel Rock, James J. Dunn, James P. Richards, John J. Sullivan, Andrew F. Kelliher, Austin F. Kelleher, John J. Finnegan, Michael Courtney, William A. Bradley, Arthur Moran, Fred Sullum, Thomas J. Higgins, Hugh C. McCosker, Michael J. McDermott, James H. Hickey, R. S., and secretary of committee.

LOST LONG GREEN

Landscape Gardener Says He Was Robbed

Robbed of $175 and not knowing how or where, was the predicament in which Alexander Moulton, a landscape gardener in the employ of Harvey W. Turbell, found himself last evening.

Moulton was under the influence, the police say, of strong drink or drugs and his first statement was that he had been waylaid and robbed at the corner of Lakeview avenue and West street. Later on, however, he said he wasn't sure that his original statement was based on facts and he could offer the police but little assistance in ferreting out the alleged loss of the $175. Turbell lives at the corner of Reed and Fifth streets and it was to Officer Clancy that the landscape gardener first told his story. Officer Clancy didn't think that the story held water and he sent Mr. Moulton to the police station for further treatment. After trying in vain to get something tangible from the man the police sent him home. He did not show any evidence of hard usage and the police think the story of his loss is a myth.

This is the time to buy flour. Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

BIG "BILL" REID

Will Take up Harvard Football Matters

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 31.—It was learned here yesterday that Mr. W. T. Reid, Jr., who several years ago coached the Harvard football team, has left for the east.

Friends of his in Belmont, which is a few miles from here, where he has been a teacher in his father's private fitting school since his graduation at Harvard, say that he has been considering for some time a proposition from the football authorities at Cambridge Mass., to take charge of the coaching there next fall.

He decided that he could not get from letters a satisfactory idea of the conditions there, and so has suddenly and unexpectedly taken the train for Boston, where he will arrive early in the week.

He will be in the east only a few days, as he wants to get back here for his work very soon after the Christmas vacation is over.

He has told his friends that while he is in Boston he will probably decide whether he will take charge of the Harvard football team next fall.

This is the time to buy flour. Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

Save the Babies.

INFANT MORTALITY is something frightful. We can hardly realize that of all the children born in civilized countries, twentytwo per cent., or nearly one-quarter, die before they reach one year; thirtyseven per cent., or more than one-third, before they are five, and one-half before they are fifteen!

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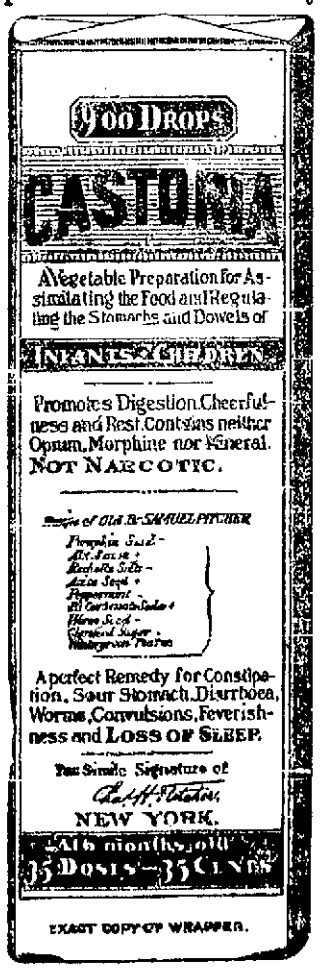

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Dr. J. B. Waggoner, of Chicago, Ill., says: "I can most heartily recommend your Castoria to the public as a remedy for children's complaints. I have tried it and found it of great value."

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5.45, 6.22, 6.45, 7.40, 8.50, 9.23, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, 5.44 p. m.

Sundays, 8.45 a. m.

From Middlesex St.

To Boston.		From Boston.	
Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
5.45	6.50	6.00	7.04
6.28	7.40	6.30	7.28
6.39	7.30	7.54	8.54
6.49	7.53	8.25	9.01
7.01	8.02	9.00	9.57
7.24	8.10	10.00	10.57
7.31	8.50	10.17	11.34
7.48	8.35	11.30	12.07
7.52	10.05	12.00	12.50
8.57	9.40	1.00	1.57
9.35	10.18	2.00	3.01
11.05	12.00	3.00	3.57
11.45	12.24	3.47	5.00
12.14	1.00	4.14	5.30
1.44	2.50	5.00	5.57
1.58	2.36	5.23	6.25
3.47	4.30	5.47	6.54
4.28	5.30	6.14	7.30
5.22	6.15	7.30	8.08
5.49	7.00	8.30	9.05
6.12	6.55	10.30	11.04
7.29	8.10	11.20	12.21

WESTERN DIV.
From Middlesex St.

To Boston.		From Boston.	
Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
6.50	7.55	7.30	8.31
8.00	8.54	9.25	10.31
9.25	10.33	10.45	11.40
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.05
12.05	1.26	2.15	3.20
12.50	2.00	3.30	4.50
2.50	3.33	4.30	5.49
3.10	4.05	6.01	7.02
5.55	6.00	6.35	7.45
6.00	6.40	9.40	10.35
6.15	7.10	*11.15	12.15
7.00	8.00		
8.30	10.28		

* Runs to Lowell Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

SUNDAY TRAINS

WESTERN DIVISION

8.15	9.25	8.00	9.1
12.10	1.20	12.00	1.00
3.55	4.50	5.05	6.25
5.32	6.53		
8.03	9.00		

SOUTHERN DIVISION

6.30	7.30	9.00	10.00
7.24	8.10		
8.48	9.48	11.30	12.07
9.20	10.15	1.00	1.57
2.25	3.37	5.00	5.59
7.[illegible]		7.30	8.08
8.22	7.05	8.30	9.08
		9.00	10.02

LOCAL NEWS

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Dance at Mechanics hall, 100 Middle st., Saturday evening, New Year's eve. Music, Pease and Griffith orchestra.

The Lowell Gas company having purchased new teams and with responsible drivers, is now prepared to promptly fill all orders for Coke. Leave your order at the Gas Store, 67 Merrimack street, or at the General office, 22 Shattuck street. Tell us when you want it delivered, and you will get it at that time.

PERSONALS

Miss Mary O'Connell is spending the holidays in Brookline. Thursday evening she attended the coming-out party given by Mrs. James Sullivan of Newton in honor of her daughter Margaret Louise.

Miss Edith Carter, Miss Ruth Carter, Miss Anna Fels, Miss Mary Munn, Miss Maria Bill, Miss Alice Hill, Miss Mary Reilly and the Misses Shaw are to manage the subscription party at the Vesper boat house tonight.

Mr. William L. Spalding, one of the Lowell students at Tech, gave a skating party at Island pond yesterday afternoon, followed by a supper at his camp there.

Mr. Henry Whittier and two of his children are seriously ill in Chattahoochee, Ga., where they have made their home for several years. The family has been stricken with typhoid fever.

The Bachelor Girls' club is to give a dance at the Highland club, on January 18. Miss Ellen M. Weaver is to be general manager and the affair promises to be very successful.

Miss Christina Courtney of Haverhill is the guest of the Misses Courtney of Chestnut street.

Mr. Isaac F. Scripture of Central street was removed to the Lowell General hospital recently suffering from a general breakdown of his system.

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HEAVY DEFICIT

U. S. Treasury is Shy About $22,000,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The United States treasury receipts for the calendar year 1904 were $540,000,000 and the expenditures (including the Panama payment) $562,000,000—a deficit for the year of $22,000,000. As compared with the previous calendar year, the receipts show a falling off of $8,000,000 and the expenditures an increase of $50,000,000. The decrease in the receipts is accounted for by a decrease of $9,000,000 in the customs revenues. The increase in expenditures is subdivided as follows:

Civil and miscellaneous expenditures, $15,000,000; expenditures of the war department, $9,000,000; expenditures of the navy department, $23,000,000; pensions, $2,000,000; interest, $1,000,000.

The increase in interest is due to the fact that a portion of the interest of 1903 was anticipated in 1902. The figures do not include the postal receipts and expenditures, except that the postal deficit is included in the civil and miscellaneous expenditures.

The summary of foreign commerce published by the bureau of statistics throws light on the cause of the decrease in customs revenues. The figures of the bureau cover the first 11 months of the calendar year 1904: Imports for 11 months, 1904, $939,000,000; imports for the same period, 1903, $917,000,000; increase, $22,000,000. Imports free of duty, for the same period, increased $42,000,000, while dutiable imports decreased $20,000,000. In 1903 43½ per cent. of the imports were free of duty, while in 1904 47 per cent. were free of duty, and in November, 1904, 40 per cent. were free of duty. Practically the entire increase in free imports was in three articles—coffee, India rubber and raw silk. Although dutiable imports decreased $20,000,000, raw sugar and wool show increases aggregating $28,000,000. All other dutiable imports decreased nearly $50,000,000. Of this decrease $20,000,000 was in iron and steel.

Other noteworthy features of the treasury transactions in 1904 were the payment, out of accumulated surplus, of $50,000,000 for the right of way of the Panama canal; the redemption of the outstanding 5 per cent. bonds, due Feb. 1, 1904, and the various calls on the national bank depositories for the return of a portion of their public deposits. The redemption of 5s during the calendar year was approximately $8,000,000. Public funds on deposit with the banks were reduced from $166,000,000, Jan. 1, 1904, to $113,000,000, at the close of the year. The calls on the banks, to mature early in 1905, will further reduce these deposits and replenish the cash in the general fund of the treasury to the extent of about $23,000,000.

The cash in the treasury, exclusive of the gold reserve and gold and silver coin held against outstanding certificates, was $320,000,000 on Jan. 1, 1904. At the close of the year it was $240,000,000—a decrease of $80,000,000 for the year. The Panama payment accounts for $50,000,000 of this decrease. The redemption of the 5s of 1904 and national bank note redemption accounts for $10,000,000 more. The balance is due to the deficit incurred in carrying on the ordinary operations of the government.

For the first six months of the current fiscal year the deficit is approximately $22,000,000. The balance of the year will probably reduce rather than increase the deficit. Receipts show a tendency to increase. The greater part of the postal deficiency for this fiscal year has already been met, and the expenditure for various kinds of public works will be less for the next six months than for the six months just closed. Nearly $10,000,000 was disbursed in the last half of the last fiscal year on account of the Louisiana purchase exposition—an expenditure which will not be repeated during the present year.

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FIREMAN KILLED

Wall of a Car Shop Collapsed

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Two firemen were killed, two others and one spectator were injured by the falling of a portion of the wall in the West Side car shop fire early today.

The dead are:

CAPTAIN PAUL DICK.
LIEUT. JOHN PYNE.

The injured:

Charles Anderson, fireman; cut on face and hands, and legs bruised.

Captain John Miller, fireman; crushed about body, and cuts on head.

August Kraut, severely hurt about shoulders.

GENERAL PORTER

Asked to be Relieved as Ambassador

PARIS, Dec. 31.—In view of the reports relative to the retirement of Ambassador Porter inquiry at the American embassy today, resulted in the following authoritative statement:

General Porter has asked to be relieved from duty as ambassador at Paris with the intention of returning to New York to be with his children and look after some personal interests that require his attention. Having spent 26 years in the service of the government, including eight years in charge of the embassy at Paris, he is anxious to secure a period of repose in his own country."

NAVY YARD FIRES

THREATENED TO DESTROY GREAT DRY DOCK.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—Hundreds of marines and sailors, buckets in hand, have aided the navy yard's fire department and the crew of the government tug Modoc in fighting two small fires of mysterious origin at League Island, sparks from which threatened to destroy the great dry dock in course of construction.

The fires started within an hour of each other on the platform of a towering woodencrane on the bank to the west of the dry dock. The crane, 175 feet high, was saved by a party of marines, who climbed up the blazing structure and fought the fire at close range. A thorough investigation will be made.

NEW COMET

DISCOVERED BY OBSERVATORY AT KIEL.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The naval observatory here was notified last night by cable from Kiel, Germany, of the discovery of a comet by Borelly of Marseilles, right ascension one hour 14 minutes, south declination 10 hours no minutes. This comet was immediately looked up and observed by Messrs. Hammond and Wright, of the naval observatory staff. Observations will be continued on every clear night.

At All Times
IN THE
year that has past we have endeavored to do Good Work. When we have received new work our thought has been not how can we skin this job to make an extra dollar, but how good a job can we do.
If at times we have failed we have done everything in our power to make matters right.
In 1905 it will be our aim to do still better work and to have a longer list of satisfied customers than we now have.
We are prepared to do good work.
Our steamfitters and Plumbers are the best that can be hired.
Our facilities for doing work are of the best.
We carry the largest stock of any shop of our kind in New England outside of Boston.
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LOSS IS $500,000

Great Building in Chicago Destroyed by Fire

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—A fire which destroyed $500,000 worth of property in West Van Buren street today, started on the second floor of the seven story brick building occupied by the Cash Buyers' union. The building was entirely destroyed.

Spreading rapidly the fire soon assumed large proportions. Fearing that the whole district was in danger, a second attempt was sent in, closely followed by a series of extra calls for additional men and apparatus. When the fire penetrated to the adjoining building, occupied by the Zeno Mfg. company, a four story structure, the firemen were ordered to the roofs of adjacent buildings to fight the flames. Within a few minutes the flames had gutted the structure and had spread to the Boston Rubber Paint company. Then the flames, cracking the brick walls of the building, spread to 160-162 West Van Buren street, causing heavy damage to the Peninsular Stove company, which firm occupied the seven floors.

So fierce did the blaze become that burning sparks, carried by a high gale, were driven far over the district and buildings blocks away, causing some fire. With a detonation that was heard for squares, an explosion in the basement of the Cash Buyers' union building tore up the street and sidewalks, throwing firemen into the air and tearing live wires of the Van Buren street electric car line down. Fortunately none of the firemen was injured. Crashing down through the frail walls of the structure adjoining, the towering walls of the Peninsular Stove company and those of the Cash Buyers' union tottered and collapsed. A series of small explosions followed the fall of the walls.

A two story frame dwelling at 166-168 West Van Buren street, occupied as a rooming house, was crushed like a shell by the falling walls. The inmates had been awakened earlier and escaped to the streets, but were unable to save any of their clothing. The stables occupied by the Fortune Brothers' Brewing company were gutted. The horses were saved.

There was a small panic on the Metropolitan elevated railway when the motormen rushed their cars through the smoke. Passengers attempted to get out but were held in check by the guards. When the explosion occurred the windows in the residences across the street were shattered and chimneys were thrown down. Firemen who were in the half-falling walls escaped death by leaping into a hole that was being dug at the side of a frame building.

Search is being made for the body of the night watchman of the Cash Buyers' union. He is believed to have reentered the burning building after giving the alarm. He has not been seen since. The fire is pronounced by Chief Campton to have made a more rapid headway than any in his experience since the great fire of 1871. The principal losses are.

162-164 West Van Buren street, seven story brick building, $75,000; Peninsular Stove company, $200,000; 158-160 Van Buren street, seven story brick building, $75,000; Cash Buyers' First National Co-operative society, $100,000; 154-156 West Van Buren street, five story brick building, $50,000; Rubber Paint Co., $40,000; Zeno Mfg. Co., $20,000.

Losses on other buildings in the vicinity range from $500 to $5000.

CHURCH DYNAMITED

Police are Searching Houses for Anarchists

BERLIN, Dec. 31.—A letter to the Lokal Anzeiger from Cerarow, describes the attack recently made with dynamite on the Russian church at Razom, Russian Poland. The church walls and the graves were destroyed. A military force surrounded all the public buildings in the place within an hour and a crowd numbering 1600 persons gathered in the scene singing revolutionary songs. A red flag was hoisted and cries were heard of "Long live independent Poland."

Pistols were fired and presently a military force appeared under the command of Colonel Buletoff, who rushed in a state of excitement from the officers' club and immediately ordered the troops to fire on the crowd. A working man shot the colonel dead and the adjutants bayonetted the assassin and then brained him with the butts of their rifles. Many persons were wounded and numerous arrests were made. Order was finally restored toward morning.

At Lodz and other towns troops guard the churches to prevent their desecration.

A dispatch to the Lokal Anzeiger from Czaestochowa Russian Poland, where a monument to Emperor Alexander II was recently destroyed by dynamite, says the trouble there continues and the police are searching houses at night for anarchists.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY

Man Killed His Brother and Himself

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 31.—A special to the Constitution, from Ozark, Ala., says:

A double tragedy occurred at Midland City in the eastern part of this county, Friday. Arch Pope and Jesse Pope, brothers, had a heated discussion and disagreement over a line fence and the former shot and killed his brother. Archie Pope then went home and committed suicide by taking strychnine.

The brothers were among the most prominent people of southeastern Alabama. Both men leave families.

SENATOR MITCHELL

DEFIES ACCUSORS TO PROVE WRONG ACT.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 31.—Senator John H. Mitchell, who came to Portland to appear before the federal grand jury in connection with the land frauds investigations which are being prosecuted by the federal government, has left for Washington, D. C.

Senator Mitchell in an interview just before his departure said that he could see no reason why he should remain in Portland longer and thought his public duties in Washington demanded his presence in the capital city.

Senator Mitchell in a written statement to the press said:

"I defy my accusers. I have lived in this state over 44 years. I have served in the United States senate and I defy any move to charge me successfully with any conduct that is otherwise than honorable. I am sure I cannot be connected in any way with any land frauds, except by the grossest perjury of self-confessed and convicted thieves and perjurers."

CAR DISABLED

FRONT AXLE OF ANDOVER STREET CAR BROKE.

One of the small electric cars used on the Andover route met with an accident this morning at the corner of East Merrimack and High streets. It was the first car to go over the line this morning, and just after reaching the top of the hill the front axle broke, allowing the body of the car to drop to the ground.

Word was telephoned to the square and another car was sent to the scene of the accident to assist it to the square. With the assistance of a beam and several chains the car was brought to the "dead" rail in Bridge street and sent to the power house for repairs.

A NEW ALLIANCE

Between England and and America Rumored

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 31.—The Russian papers are discussing the British and Continental reports of an alleged Anglo-American alliance but consider that they have no solid foundation and represent more British anxiety to have it appear that such an alliance is in prospect than the purpose of the United States to abandon her traditional policy which renders a lasting agreement impossible, but the papers say it may be that a temporary truce is being glorified as an alliance for political purposes to strengthen Japan and intimidate Russia. They added that the European press seems to have taken the matter seriously and become alarmed but that Russia will not be intimidated. One paper remarks:

"It is a touching sight to see Jonathan stretching across the sea to John but both indulge in Mephistophelian laughter, which seems to have escaped European observers."

A Little at a Time.

Your clock or watch will wear out in some part of the delicate machinery, and you need an expert watch or clock maker to replace the worn wheels or springs. We can make them as good as new in our repairing department, or if you wish a new timepiece we have a superb stock to select from, to the finest movements and cases at reasonable prices.
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RUSSIAN OFFICERS

Are Very Poorly Quartered Says War Correspondent

MUKDEN, Dec. 31.—Nemirovich Danchenko, the famous Russian war correspondent who has just returned from an inspection of the quarters occupied by the Russian officers and privates at the front, says:

"One could hardly imagine a greater contrast than that afforded by the hungry, tired army that settled down here after the battle of Liao Yang and the army now resting south of Mukden. The men live in dugouts but most of the officers' huts are above ground. Aside from the fact that there are only five officers to a hut and that the latter contain more decorations there is little differences between the men's and the officers 'quarters. Everybody is well fed and comfortable. The dugouts are all shell-proof and each has a stove with sleeping ledges around the sides. The men are provided with bedding, warm underwear, mostly of Chinese manufacture and better Chinese boots than can be bought in Russia. Bath houses are provided, one for the officers and one for the men of each company. The water is heated twice weekly, the separate laundry houses are always supplied with hot water and there is no dampness in the buildings set apart for the washing and drying of clothes or in the living quarters. The officers and men partake of the same fare, which is distributed twice daily in big coppers from the camp kitchen. A ration consists of a pound of meat and two and a half pounds of bread, with tea twice daily. There are short rations of sugar, but the only shortages observable are sugar, leather, sewing materials and reading matter. Every one would appreciate books and papers. Every printed sheet is read, even the advertisements. The postal facilities are poor. Most of the officers have not heard from European Russia for a long time. Since the wires have been reserved for military and press use private telegrams have all been forwarded by mail from Irkutsk.

"There is little sickness owing to the care taken with drinking water. There is a guard at each well. Some companies have been compelled to use water from the Shakhe river. Water parties go to the banks unarmed. There is a general truce protecting water parties of both sides and much chaff between Russians and Japanese is exchanged across the river.

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THE WEATHER
Local forecast: Partly cloudy to cloudy tonight and Sunday; fresh southwest winds.

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CHARGE OF BRIBERY

May be Preferred Against Leading Citizens

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 31.—Governor Garvin today made public the report of James A. Williams, a local attorney, who acted as the governor's special agent in the recent election, for the obtaining of evidence of bribery and corruption. Mr. Williams in his report states that he succeeded in procuring evidence which he believes would justify the bringing of cases against three citizens of the state, one of whom is alleged to have bribed a voter, another to have falsely represented to the election officers his inability to read and write, and a third to have permitted the casting of sample ballots.

DIVISION 11, A.O.H

Officers Were Installed Friday Night

The newly elected officers of Division 11, A. O. H., were installed last night by Vice President John T. Hendricks of the county board. The officers are as follows:

President, John F. Kinsella; vice president, John Tally; recording secretary, Patrick Morrison; financial secretary, William Nelson; treasurer, John Hickey; sick committee, John King, Patrick Barry, Michael Higgins.

The attendance of members was very large and there was great enthusiasm especially when the new president, John F. Kinsella, delivered his speech of acceptance. Mr. Kinsella is one of the old standbys of Hibernianism in this city and his election to the leading office was a fit tribute to his work in behalf of the order. President Kinsella after thanking the members for the confidence they placed in him in selecting him as their presiding officer, said that the coming year promises to be one of the greatest in the history of Hibernianism in Lowell.

"We have in our division," he said, "190 members in good standing and I urge each one of you to bring in at least one new member so that the end of the year will find our numbers doubled. We have an order that is doing a noble work and I trust that you will appeal to your acquaintances who are eligible and induce them to associate themselves with Division 11, A. O. H. We want the young men particularly because we realize the value of their services. I thank you again for the honor you have shown me and trust that I may prove worthy of your confidence."

Other speakers were John Tally, John T. Hendricks, John Hickey and former President Michael Horan. There were songs by Michael Lynch, Thomas Hickey, Thomas Qualey, William Pyne.

MANAGER LAKE

SIGNED NEW PLAYER FOR HIS LYNN TEAM.

Fred Lake, of this city, who managed the Lowell baseball team last season, but who will be at the head of the Lynn team during the coming year, has signed John H. Spitz, a New York college man, to play second base for him on his new team. Fred signed the new man upon the recommendation of Umpire "Silk" O'Loughlin, of the American league.

FUNERALS

STICKNEY—The remains of the late Mrs. Achsah Stickney were consigned to their final resting place in the Pelham Centre cemetery yesterday afternoon. The funeral which was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased took place from the home of her son, Charles, 569 School street.

Services were conducted by Rev. C. E. Fisher, and during the service Mrs. J. L. Sherburne rendered several appropriate selections. There was a profusion of beautiful and appropriate floral offerings in evidence showing the esteem in which the deceased was held by her many friends and acquaintances, the following being the most prominent: Large pillow, from the family; wreath of roses and violets from Messrs. E. B. and Arthur N. Gage of Tombstone, Arizona; wreath of galax leaves, Mrs. D. Swan; spray of narcissus, Mrs. S. S. Hooke; spray, Home Study club; and a spray from Miss E. O. Taylor.

The bearers were Messrs. Edwin, Asa and Milland Stickney and Harry Atwood. The interment was in the Pelham Centre cemetery and was under the direction of Funeral Directors Charles M. Young & Co.

FOR SALE—A good horse cheap. Apply at Devine's trunk store, 88 Merrimack st.

STREET LIGHTS

Much surprise was expressed at City Hall last evening at the action of Alderman Hill who after signing the street light report as a member of the committee on street lights voted to sustain the mayor's veto of the same matter in the board of aldermen.

Speaking of the street light matter to a reporter of The Sun Alderman Hill said: "I am sorry that the mayor vetoed the street light order. The committee on lights acted conscientiously in the matter and did not grant petitions at random. The committee visited every location at which a light was asked for and favored only those that needed better light. We turned down more than we granted. In most cases these lights were for newly accepted streets. As the city is steadily growing there is need yearly for more street lights and it has been customary each year to spend some money for lights."

"Why didn't you vote against the order then?" asked the reporter.

"I saw that it was beaten and so I voted with my republican colleagues," replied Alderman Hill.

BIRD PEDDLER

FOUND READY MARKET FOR JAPANESE ROBINS.

The foreigner who appeared in Lowell this afternoon laden with little cages containing Japanese robins and Russian catbirds found ready sale for a number of the robins but he couldn't find a catbird purchaser. "I guess the people in Lowell like it the Japanese," said the bird peddler. Whether it was in the middle of the street, at the street corner, on the sidewalk or in the store, the stranger and his birds were the centre of attraction, and the poor fellow who was offering tables for sale, 10,000 pieces of different kinds of wood in every table, couldn't collect a corporal's guard. The passersby absolutely refused to listen to his story of the tables when the bird man was around. Thomas Kane, manager of the Arlington cafe, purchased three of the Japanese robins. Part of the story told by the bird peddler relative to the Japanese robin was to the effect that by paying close attention to the bird one could tell how the engagement in the Far East is getting along. If the Japs are winning, he said, the robins will feel very chipper and talk incessantly.

"How do they act when the Russians win?" asked a man in the crowd.

"I don't know," replied the peddler; "the Russians haven't won anything since I bought the birds."

MORTALITY OF LOWELL

FOR THE WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1904.

Population, 104,402. Total deaths, 29; Deaths under five, 10; Infectious Diseases, 1; Acute Lung Diseases, 6; Diphtheria, 1.

Death rate: 1444 against 19.42 and 20.41 for previous two weeks.

Infectious diseases reported: Typhoid Fever, 3; Diphtheria, 7.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

SENATOR PLATT

WILL ADVISE THE LEGISLATURE LEADERS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Senator Platt said today that he would take an active part in advising the legislative leaders regarding their organization. He said:

"I have been so busy with the senatorial matter that I have had no opportunity to attend to the organization. Now that the senatorship is out of the way I purpose giving attention to the organization of the state senate and assembly. I shall have some recommendations to make."

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LAWRENCE BOYS

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TWO PROBATIONERS SENT TO PRISON

Chelmsford Game Warden Was Charged With Drunkenness

Four Lawrence youths came to Lowell yesterday and indulged in some of the firewater that has been sending a few of the most strenuous to the city farm for the wormwood treatment. The boys from Lawrence were making things a bit lively about the Middlesex street station when Officers Dooley and Burke appeared on the scene. The officers gathered the quartette in and at the police station they gave the names, Fred Lajoie, Thomas H. Harmon, George Labelle and William T. Booth. In police court today they pleaded guilty of drunkenness and were ordered to pay fines of $2 each.

CLAIMED TWO PRISONERS.

The probation officer from the superior court, Mr. James Ramsay was in the police court today and claimed John White and Nellie Foster two of his probationists. White was arraigned yesterday and appealed from a common jail sentence. He was taken from the jail to the court room today because he said he wanted to withdraw his appeal. When he arrived in the court room he saw a fellow whom he thought would go his bonds and he was right about it. The fellow said he would and when White was called upon to speak instead of withdrawing his appeal he informed the court that he had a bondsman. Then it was that Mr. Ramsay showed his hands and when White realized what was about to happen he hastily turned the cold shoulder on his bondsman and withdrew his appeal. His move was in vain because Mr. Ramsay was there with the papers and he claimed Mr. White.

Nellie Foster was charged with the larceny of a skirt but the government's case was not sufficiently strong against her to warrant prosecution and the charge was placed on file. She too was taken in tow by Mr. Ramsay, she having failed to observe the conditions of her probation from the superior court.

HIS TIME IS UP.

John J. Moriarity, wearing a U. S. navy uniform, was before the court yesterday morning for drunkenness and was fined $2. He was in the dock again this morning. Deputy Welch said to the court that so far as he could learn Moriarity was all right except when he comes to Lowell and then he goes to the bad. He recommended that Moriarity be ordered in $200 for his appearance before the court on Monday morning.

"The court finds you guilty of drunkenness and you are ordered in $200 for your appearance before the court on Monday morning," said the clerk to Moriarity.

"My time will have expired before then," said Moriarity as he took his seat.

GAME WARDEN DRUNK.

Charles E. Wilson, a Chelmsford game warden, was charged with drunkenness and was released. A few months ago Mr. Wilson arrested two Lowell men whom he charged with breaking the game laws. "Even the sly game warden," said Deputy Welch, "is unable to cope with Lowell whiskey."

OTHER DRUNKEN OFFENDERS.

George Rainville hailed from Leominster, and when asked what he was doing in Lowell he replied that he was "just visiting." The court assured him there were other ways of enjoying his visit besides getting drunk. Rainville was fined $2. James Ryan, formerly of Dracut and late of Pennsylvania, allowed he had been drunk and his name went down on the $2 list. Other two dollar victims were: Alexander Stuart and John J. Maguire. Herbert D. Newton and Ernest Moran were fined $6 each.

The case against Peter Lamore, who was arrested on a paternity warrant, was dismissed.

Minnie Durant told the court that she did not expect any mercy but when a sentence to the prison for women at Sherborn was handed out she promptly appealed. Minnie belongs in New Hampshire and the last time she appeared in police court she promised to hike back to her old New Hampshire home, but she didn't hike. She was arrested in Doyle's alley and the officers said that Minnie wasn't a bit fussy as to her associates.

Tonight Lowell High vs. Alumni.

BURIAL PRIVATE

FUNERAL OF THE LATE MRS. SARAH DUCKWORTH.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Sarah Hill Duckworth took place this afternoon at 1.30 o'clock from the residence of Mr. Edward W. Trull, Andover street, North Tewksbury, and was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased including a large number from out of town.

The services were conducted by Rev. C. L. Merriam, formerly pastor of the Highland Congregational church of this city, but now of Derry, N. H., assisted by Rev. T. Clayton Welles, pastor of the Highland Congregational church. During the service there was appropriate singing.

There was a profusion of beautiful and appropriate floral offerings in evidence, showing the esteem in which the deceased was held by her many friends and acquaintances.

The interment was in the Lowell cemetery, burial being private. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Dr. Charles H. Stowell and the interment was under the direction of Funeral Directors J. B. Currier & Co.

DR. L. S. CHADWICK

Taken From Steamer to Cleveland, Ohio

Says He Knows Nothing of the Charges Against His Wife—Is Greatly Shocked by the Whole Affair

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick reached here on the Pretoria this morning and will go to Cleveland by the Pennsylvania railroad this afternoon. He will not be placed under arrest at all but will go as the guest of Sheriff Edwin D. Barry, who is an old friend. "There will be no arrest or even detention," Mr. Barry said.

Dr. Chadwick, who had previously been informed of his indictment and probable arrest consented to return to Cleveland without formality.

Dr. Chadwick gave the Associated Press a long interview on his arrival. In reply to questions he said:

"I am inexpressibly shocked by the recent turn of events. I am innocent of all charges against me and I can point with pride to 35 years' residence in Cleveland. I cannot believe that the dreadful things printed by the papers are true. I am entirely without information as to the case except what I read in the Paris papers and what you have been good enough to tell me. So I can say nothing of the awful charges against my wife.

"Oh, this is awful, awful, awful! My life the past few weeks has been a living death! and I hope no man will ever go through what I have undergone. To think that my professional career which had always been successful should be blighted. My daughter Mary, poor little darling, I love her with my life. When I recovered from my illness in Paris, my financial resources made it necessary for me to travel in the second cabin. I insisted that she go first, but the noble girl refused and has kept at my side, cheering me in my dark hour of trouble and proving to me, more and more, what a splendid woman she is.

"Oh, this is a dreadful calamity. I had no idea that such a fate was mine. I know little of Mrs. Chadwick's financial affairs and when I find out the details will say nothing. I am overwhelmed by the charges against her."

Dr. Chadwick read the Associated Press dispatch from Cleveland that Mrs. Chadwick had been measured by the Bertillon system. As he finished the reading, he groaned aloud and as he turned to the correspondent tears rolled down his cheeks.

The doctor, already ill and sore at heart, was completely overwhelmed by the revelation and the consequent developments. "That is the last straw," he said, "measuring her in that way. Oh, that I am brought to this. You tell me that my friend, Mr. Barry, is here to take me back. Well, I am ready to go and shall be happy to accompany him. I knew I should find troubles and breakers abroad, but I never for a moment anticipated arrest. Guilty? Of course I am not guilty. I am absolutely innocent, and you say poor old Beckwith is very ill. Poor man. I knew him but little, but I am sure he is innocent."

The correspondent then told Dr. Chadwick of the statement that had been made that Mrs. Chadwick is said to be Mme. De Vere. The physician fell back as if stunned.

"Mme. De Vere," he cried.

"Oh, oh, no, don't say that. That cannot be so. I do not believe that such a thing can be possible. If she is, I have never suspected it, and I cannot for a moment believe it."

"Do you think Mrs. Chadwick can be guilty as accused?" was asked.

"I cannot think her guilty of anything. I don't know the charges but she cannot be guilty."

When asked about the son, Emil Hoover Chadwick, the doctor said:

"Emil is one of the grandest boys I ever knew. I have never had to correct him and I love him as if he were my own. It is like him to stand by his mother so closely. I have been blessed by my daughter and stepson."

When asked about his financial resources he said:

"If what the papers say is true, I am a penniless pauper."

"You saw my beautiful home in Cleveland and you know how I have lived. Now you see me coming back in the second cabin, I who have always traveled by the best ships and occupied the best cabins. But if all that has been said is true, I am homeless and without a dollar. Ah, it is hard for one at my time of life to come to this.

"You ask if I am guilty. I have said no. To make my situation clear, I have contemplated the writing of a book. I want physicians, lawyers, clergymen, bankers, business men, everybody to know where I stand. I have written the skeleton of the book already and hoped to have time to write it. That will show the world everything.

"You say my wife is accused of being Mme. De Vere. Did I look into her history? Think of my position. I was a widower with an invalid sister, my mother in bed with a fractured leg, my eight-year-old daughter motherless.

"Would I not be glad to know some one who would take an interest in my household and bring order out of chaos? No one on earth can know my feelings today and God help that blessed girl, who has been helping me bear my burdens."

At this time a revenue cutter with Sheriff Barry aboard tied up to the towering side of the Pretoria and the sheriff clambered aboard. He made his way through the densely packed mass of steerage passengers, 2500 in all, to the after part of the ship to the second cabin. His coming, already known to Dr. Chadwick, was announced by a steward and Mr. Barry was at once admitted to the tiny cabin. The two men had a long conference, after which Mr. Barry announced that Dr. Chadwick would not be placed under arrest and that they would return to Cleveland, by the Pennsylvania railroad this afternoon as friends. "We will travel as two gentlemen and old friends would travel," said Barry, "and the doctor will not be under arrest and will not even be under detention."

Then Dr. Chadwick went into the public cabin and met the assembled reporters. He refused to talk, saying he had been misquoted in Paris and would not say a word until he reached Cleveland.

E. W. Rucker, secretary to Lawyer George Rublee, served papers on Chadwick in a suit for Herbert D. Newton of Brookline, Mass., and then repeated the service to make doubly sure.

W. B. Fay of Cleveland came to see the Chadwicks, but was ordered out of the cabin by Barry. The party will not go to New York at all, but will remain in New Jersey and leave from Jersey City this afternoon. Dr. Chadwick remained on board the Pretoria with Sheriff Barry for some time after the steamer had docked and the two, with the doctor's daughter May, afterward went to the Meyers hotel in Hoboken to await the departure of the 4.55 p. m. train on the Pennsylvania railroad for Cleveland.

Sheriff Barry then explained that the daughter would not go to Cleveland but soon start for Florida where she has relatives.

No relatives were known to have met the daughter upon the arrival of the Pretoria.

One reason why Sheriff Barry did not arrest Dr. Chadwick, was that Sheriff Barry did not have the extradition papers when he went down the harbor to meet the Pretoria. The law required that the papers should be kept in the custody of a New York City official and were in the possession of Detective Sergeant Bonner of the New York City police headquarters. He was to have joined Sheriff Barry at the Battery when the latter started down the bay on the revenue cutter to meet the Pretoria but did not appear and although the sheriff made every effort to reach him, by telephone, could not be found. So Sheriff Barry went ahead without the papers and induced the doctor to return to Cleveland without the papers.

After some delay at the Pretoria's dock, Dr. Chadwick, his daughter Mary and Sheriff Barry, accompanied by several detective sergeants of the Hoboken police force, left the ship and walked to Recorder Stanton's police court. They were followed by a crowd of two or three hundred curious persons, who made a scene at the court by attempting to crowd in. In the court room, Detective Winthall, of the Hoboken police thought he might be wanted, as a fugitive from justice.

"Are you under arrest?" asked the recorder of Dr. Chadwick.

"Not that I know of," replied the doctor.

In reply to further questions of the recorder, Dr. Chadwick said that he was going to Cleveland with Sheriff Barry this afternoon. The sheriff also explained that Dr. Chadwick was not under arrest, that he was wanted in Cleveland mainly to give testimony and that the general impression in Cleveland was that he was innocent.

The recorder, asked if there were any complaints against Dr. Chadwick and as there was none ordered him discharged. The party of three, including the sheriff, Dr. Chadwick and his daughter Mary, were then driven to Meyers hotel to await the departure for Cleveland.

Dr. Chadwick, Miss Chadwick and Sheriff Barry had a narrow escape from death after leaving the police court. They were in a hack driving to Meyers Hotel. In turning a corner, the near horse slipped on the icy crossing and fell badly tangling itself in the harness.

At the same time, a large truck, which was following behind the carriage, came rushing down upon the hack. The driver was unable to stop his horse and for a moment it seemed as if the animal would go through the carriage with his load.

Sheriff Barry leaped out of the hack and grasping the truck horse by the bridle, by main force pushed it onto the side walk and it missed striking the back of the hack a few inches. Dr. Chadwick and daughter were greatly frightened and the doctor said:

"Troubles seem to be following me on every hand."

Mr. Barry placed the Chadwicks in another carriage and they were driven to Meyers Hotel, where they met Mr. Taylor and Mrs. Tibbetts of Cleveland, who had come to New York to meet them. The party ordered dinner in their rooms and declined to tell the purport of their conference. Dr. Chadwick will leave at 4.55 o'clock for Cleveland and Miss Chadwick will remain in New York for several days and will then go to Jacksonville, Fla., where she will spend a long period seeking to regain her health.

One of the dramatic features of Dr. Chadwick's homecoming, was the scene in the Hoboken court.

The Hoboken police had told Recorder Stanton that Chadwick was a fugitive from justice and asked that he be held. Sheriff Barry was asked if he had papers warranting his removal of the doctor to Cleveland and he said that he had not and then made an eloquent plea for his friend. In a voice ringing with sincerity Mr. Barry told the court of Dr. Chadwick's honorable record in Cleveland and said that Prosecuting Attorney Keller of Cleveland had asked him not to place the doctor under arrest, unless he attempted to fight arrest.

"He is my life-long friend," said the sheriff, "and I ask that my friend be allowed to accompany me in a manner fitting his previous condition."

The recorder asked if anyone would make a complaint but no voice was heard and the magistrate after waiting for a reply said:

"Defendant discharged."

"There is not the slightest doubt of Dr. Chadwick's innocence in my mind," said Mr. Barry.

"No one in my city thinks he has done anything wrong. I expect bail will be furnished for him as soon as he reaches Cleveland and it is not unlikely that his friends will demand an immediate trial."

Miss Mary Chadwick is a diminutive little woman, pretty of face and dainty in manner. Throughout the long wait in the police station in Hoboken, she sat in the police room and bore up under the strain with remarkable fortitude. Upon leaving the station, Miss Chadwick affectionately patted her father's arm and as they got into the carriage kissed him.

"She is a woman among women. God bless her," was Dr. Chadwick's comment to Mr. Barry. The girl was attired in a plain blue suit with hat to match and wore furs of squirrel skin.

Dr. Chadwick's cabin on the Pretoria was in decided contrast to the cabin he occupied on the Kaiser Wilhelm II, on which he sailed for Europe early in November. In was an inside room, with two narrow berths, one above the other and a bit of a settee.

Conveniences were scanty and luxuries were out of the question. Dr. Chadwick spent most of his time on deck in pleasant weather, with his daughter. He was moody and distraught and mingled little with his fellow passengers, most of whom were middle class Germans. Miss Fanny Reed, a sister of Judge Reed of Sandusky, O., was a passenger on the steamer. She said to the Associated Press correspondent:

"Of course I knew of Dr. Chadwick's troubles because so much was printed in continental papers. When he came aboard at Dover, I introduced myself to him and cheered him up all I could. He told me he was traveling on the money that his daughter had. He often came into the first cabin and my friends and myself did what we could for him."

Miss Marie L. Elwell of Elyria, O., was also a passenger on the ship.

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EXTRA

TUCKER CASE

Text of Motions to Quash the Indictment

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 31—The text of the two motions filed in the case of Charles L. Tucker, who is to be tried for the alleged murder of Miss Mabel Page, was made public today by counsel for the defence who filed the papers with the end in view of having the Tucker indictment quashed. One of the papers is a motion to quash the indictment, as announced yesterday on the ground that State Detective J. H. Whitney was present during the examination of witnesses before the grand jury contrary to law and in violation of the defendant's rights. It is contended that the fact that Whitney had for a long time endeavored to obtain evidence seeking to connect the defendant with the crime alleged rendered it especially against the defendant's rights to have him appear in the grand jury room.

The second paper is in the form of a special plea. It asks that the indictment be quashed on the ground that it is null and void for the reasons specified in the other motion to have the bill declared illegal. It is probable that the arguments upon the motions and special plea will be made Monday morning, the time specified for the beginning of Tucker's trial.

GIRL HE LOVED

Andrew Peterson Not Allowed to See Her

Because Andrew Peterson had a present in his pocket for the girl he loved he hung about the house in Huntington street where the girl is employed until his actions were noticed by the neighbors, and they telephoned the police. They believed that the man was a burglar and that he was laying his plans to do a job. Officer Ingalls arrested him and sent him to the police station.

Andrew is about 25 years old and he told the police that he belongs in Amesbury. Andrew was born in Sweden and the girl whom he was so anxious to see was also born in Sweden and Andrew admitted that he loved her "best of all." He had a manicuring set in his pocket that he bought for his girl for a Christmas present.

The girl in question says she does not know Peterson and his presence near the house annoyed her. Peterson, after being put through a course of sprouts by the police, was allowed to go. He didn't have a cent to his name but he promised to leave Lowell at once.

LENGTHY NAMES

GREEK COUPLE HANDED OUT JAW-BREAKERS TO CITY CLERK.

Among marriage intentions recorded at the city clerk's office, today, were those of Athanasios Pappaglanopoulos, aged 22, to Panaglota Kontslagian, aged 20. Here's hoping they'll rear up a family as long as their names.

CRITICALLY ILL

THOMAS P. DONOHUE IS DANGEROUSLY AFFLICTED.

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BOSTON, Dec. 31.—The gas commissioners have authorized the Lowell Gas Light company to issue 500 additional shares of stock at $145 a share to fund floating debt incurred in making extensions to the plant. The last public sale of the company's stock was at $180 a share.

CHECK FOR $5000

SENT TO THE FALL RIVER STRIKERS.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 31—It was announced today at strike headquarters that a telegram was received Friday morning from Washington announcing that a check for $5000, being an installment of the American Federation of Labor assessment for the benefit of the local strikers, had been mailed. Secretary Hibbert says he did not make earlier announcement of the fact as he did not desire to influence the unions in their votes of yesterday morning.

REPORT OF DEATHS

IN THIS CITY FOR THE WEEK ENDING DEC. 31, 1904.

Dec.
22—Edward Meehan 65, rheumatism.
23—Bessie M. Hallett 20, endocarditis.
24—Ellen Leary 63, ac. burning.
Bridget Kane 10, pleurisy.
Annette St. Jean 1, bronchitis.
——— Flanagan 1 day, prem. birth.
25—Aurelie Miller 77, bronchitis.
Mary Carler 71, ch. nephritis.
Maria J. Chute 69, diabetes.
Ruth A. Jenkins 32, meningitis.
Bridget Pinder 24 gastric ulcer.
Esther Conway 1 mo., convulsions.
26—Dora F. McGowan 40, pneumonia.
27—Thomas J. Carey 54, pneumonia.
Louis Brunelle 52, gastric ulcer.
George C. Taylor 38, suicide.
George E. Vaillaucourt 5 mos., diphtheria.
28—Joseph McCormick 1 mo., bronchitis.
James Clegg 54, diabetes.
Freeman R. Muzzey 5 mos., meningitis.
Aclesh Stickney 74, cer. hemorrhage.
John Green 69, senile debility.
Manuel Perry 8 days, prem. birth.
Annie Henderson 34, heart failure.
Harriet Crockett 75, anaemia.
Sarah H. Duckworth 62, disease of heart.
29—Agnes Tracey 11 mos., convulsions.
Susan O'Connor 67, apoplexy.
Francois E. Dupis 1 mo., cap. bronchitis.

GIRARD P. DADMAN, City Clerk.

CHIEF FLORIST RESIGNS.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 31.—H. B. Stocke, chief florist at the World's Fair, has tendered his resignation to the exposition company. Mr. Stocke will depart early in January for Washington, D. C., where he will accept a position with the government. It has been estimated that during his service with the World's Fair, Mr. Stocke planted more than 15,000,000 flowers.

TWO FACTORIES DAMAGED.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 31.—The Cunningham milling company's plant and the Little Rock Furniture Mfg. Co., the latter owned by Memphis people, were damaged by fire early today; loss $100,000.

BANK EXAMINER'S REPORT.

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 31—The report of state bank examiner F. E. Timberlake, made public today gives 51 savings banks with $82,741,563 assets, 23 trust and banking companies with $22,359,005, and 35 loan and building associations with $3,097,531. The total assets $108,763,236 are $5,532,120 more than a year ago. The number of depositors in savings banks and trust companies and shareholders in loan and building associations is 258,363 as against 249,675 last year.

During the year there has been paid to depositors and stockholders in interest and dividends $3,129,712.

The total surplus set apart under requirements of law now amounts to $4,961,883, a gain of $429,902 for the year. This reserve is now about 4.6 per cent. of entire liabilities of these institutions. The aggregate of their surplus funds and undivided profits less expense accounts is $7,590,035 or about 7 per cent. of their total liabilities. The combined assets of all the banking institutions and the national banks in Maine are $161,335,257, an increase of $1,726,602 in banking capital during the year. The per capita of banking capital is $232.32. Though the total banking capital is now 44 per cent. or nearly one half as much as the entire assessed valuation of the state.

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PRESIDENT GOMPERS

WANTS PORTO RICAN LABORERS EMPLOYED ON THE CANAL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—A conference lasting over two hours has taken place here between Governor Winthrop of Porto Rico and Samuel Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor. The labor leader urged the employment of working men from Porto Rico in the construction of the Panama canal, and the governor promised to lay the subject before the secretary of war.

Governor Winthrop sails for San Juan today.

"Secretary Taft, not long since, expressed the opinion that people from Jamaica who could stand the climate of Panama, might be employed in the construction of the canal. Before this time I have been in Porto Rico and found many thousands of people out of work and in distress. Porto Ricans could stand the climate of Panama, and this employment would be a blessing to an army of idle working men. "As soon as Secretary Taft returned to Washington, I sent him a letter informing him of the conditions in Porto Rico, and giving him my views regarding the employment of Porto Ricans on the canal. He made the suggestion that I see Governor Winthrop."

MID-WEEK SERVICES.

Beginning Wednesday, January 4, under auspices of the Lowell Ministers' union, a series of mid-week half-hour services will be held in the First Unitarian church, Merrimack street, on successive Wednesdays at four o'clock. Ministers of different denominations will conduct these services as follows:

Jan. 4—Rev. C. W. Huntington, D.D.
Jan. 11—Rev. J. M. Craig.
Jan. 18—Rev. D. B. Martin.
Jan. 25—Rev. G. C. Wright.
Feb. 1—Rev. N. W. Matthews.
Feb. 8—Rev. C. T. Billings.
Feb. 15—Rev. E. P. Herrick.
Feb. 22—Rev. R. A. Greene.
March 1—Rev. L. C. Manchester, D.D.
March 8—Rev. G. F. Kenngott.
March 15—Rev. A. P. Wedge.
March 22—Rev. A. E. Kenyon.
March 29—Rev. C. E. Isher.
April 5—Rev. G. E. Martin, D.D.
April 12—Rev. E. R. Smith.
April 19—Rev. B. F. Kingley.

Track meet, L. H. S. vs. Alumni, at annex tonight.

STOCK MARKET

Today's Quotations on Active Stocks

The following are the closing quotations of today's stock market for active stocks:

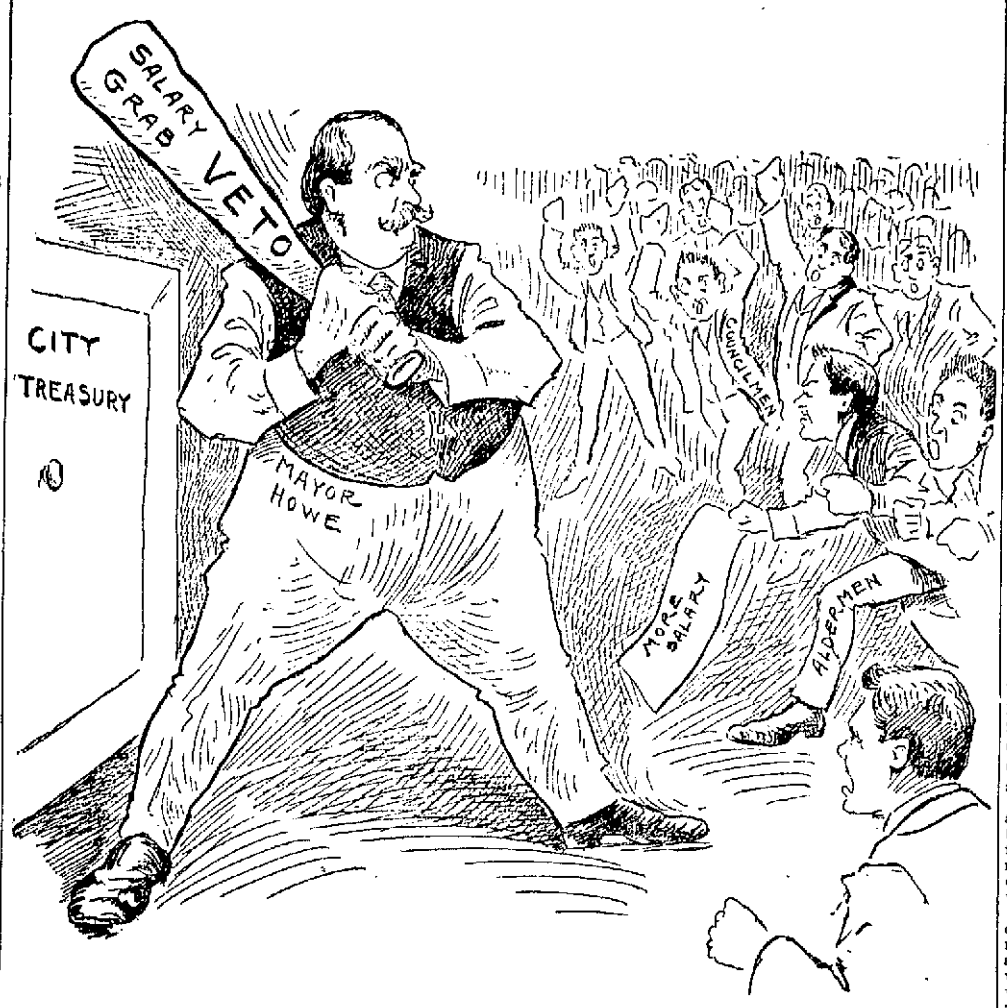
NEW YORK STOCKS.

Am Sugar	142
Am Sugar pfd	139
A & T	87⅝
A & T pfd	101¾
B & O	104⅞
B & O pfd	96¾
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	61¼
Chi & G1 W	22⅞
C M St & P	171¾
C B & P	36
C B & P pfd	84¼
Con Gas	198
Del & Hud	165
Erie R R	37½
Erie 1st	76⅛
*Gen Elect	166
Manhat Con	105
Mo Kan & Tex	32
Mo Kan & Tex pfd	63½
Met St Ry	120½
Mis Pac	107⅝
N Y Cen	142¼
N Y Ont & W	40⅝
Penn	138¾
People's Gas	106⅝
So Pac	64¾
Reading	79⅝
Reading pfd	91¾
*Reading 2d pfd	86
Tex & Pac	34⅝
Union Pac	113¾
Union Pac pfd	97⅝
U S Steel	30
U S Steel pfd	92⅞
Wabash	21¾
Wabash pfd	42⅞
W U Telegraph	93¼
U S Leather	13¾
U S Leather pfd	101⅞

BOSTON STOCKS.

Adventure	6¾
Amalgamated	71
American Wool	22½
American Wool pfd	92¼
*Am Tel & Tel	116½
Arcadia	2
Atlantic	17¼
Anaconda	27
Anaconda	109
Allouez	19½
B & Maine	173
Bingham	34¾
Boston	6⅝
Calumet & Hecla	642
Centennial	25½
Chicago Junction	151
Chicago Junction pfd	124¾
Copper Range	67⅝
Dom Steel	18
Dom Coal	63½
Daly-West	12½
Elm River	21½
Elevated	155½
Fitchburg	142
Franklin	12
Granby	5⅛
Greene	26½
Mass	9½
Mass Gas	38⅞
Mass Gas pfd	80⅝
Mass Electric	14
Mass Electric pfd	58¼
Mayflower	1
Mex Cen	22
Michigan	10½
M C & C	5
Mohawk	63½
N E Tel	138
Osceola	95
N Y, N H & H R R	199
Old Colony Mine	1¼
Old Colony R R	205
Old Dominion	26¾
Shannon	9
Royal	27½
Rhode Island	2
Tamarack	125
Tennessee	37½
Parrott	29
Quincy	116
Santa Fe	2½
Trinity	9¾
United States	24⅝
United States Oil	11
Utah	42¼
Victoria	5
Winona	12
Wolverine	108
Western Tel	20¼
Western Tel pfd	98⅝
West End	93
West End pfd	113
Wyandotte	2⅛

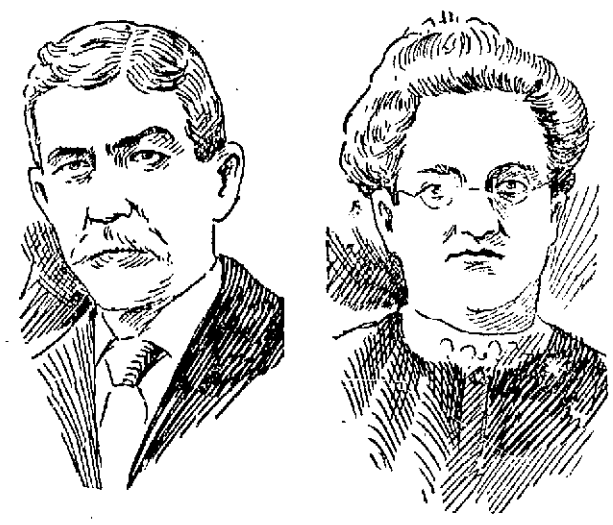
*Ex-Dividend.



IS IT ANY WONDER THE MAYOR WAS OVERPOWERED?

MANY KILLED BY HURRICANE

BRUSSELS, DEC. 31.—MANY PERSONS WERE KILLED OR INJURED IN BELGIUM BY A TERRIFIC HURRICANE YESTERDAY, WHICH ALSO CAUSED MUCH DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.



MR. AND MRS. JOSEPH P. GENTLE.

THIRTY YEARS

Of Married Life For Mr. and Mrs. Gentle

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Gentle observed the thirtieth anniversary of their wedding at their home, 29 Carter street last evening. Although their married life has gone into years that are five beyond the date set for what is known as the silver anniversary, yet Mr. and Mrs. Gentle thought that would make but little difference and the observance last evening took the form of a silver wedding. Their children, grandchildren and numerous friends helped the worthy couple enjoy the occasion of their arrival at the 30th milestone in matrimony's lane.

Among those present last evening was Rev. N. W. Matthews and besides offering his congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gentle he prayed for their future success and hoped that they would both live to celebrate their golden wedding. Eight children have blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Gentle. Four of the children are dead. The four living are: Mr. Joseph Gentle, Jr., Mrs. F. H. Nelson, and Gilman C. and George C. Gentle. They have two grandchildren, Frankie and George Gentle.

Friends were present from Boston, Lynn, and other places and the evening was one of great pleasure to all concerned. Refreshments were served and a musical program was followed by general dancing. Miss Ethel Bishop favored with piano solos. Other features of the entertainment included vocal and cornet solos. Mr. and Mrs. Gentle were the recipients of many beautiful presents and they were showered with the good wishes of their many friends.

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FOSSIL BEDS

IMPORTANT DISCOVERY BY PROF. MERRIMAN.

BERKELEY, Cal., Dec. 31.—Important discoveries in western fossil beds were announced by Prof. John C. Merriman, head of the Paleontological department of the university of California before the Cordilleran section of the Geological society of America, at the sixth annual meeting of that organization. A remarkable specimen of the very early Ichthyosurus was unearthed in the middle triassic limestones in Nevada. The specimen showed the skull, vertebrae and front limb or paddle, the upper arm and forearm of the latter being very perfect and distinct.

Another important find was that made in the Samuel Cave in Shasta county. The specimen was a new sheep-like form of enormous size, hitherto unknown to science. It consisted of the greater part of the skeleton of an animal as large as an elk but with distinctl ysheep and goat affinities. The noticeable feature of the fossil is the horns, which are so large and magnificently formed that they make the animal distinctive among ovinae, at least of any type known here. So complete is the skeleton of this beast, that it will soon be set up in the paleontological museum at Berkeley for general exhibition.

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VIOLENT DEATHS

Reported by the New York Police

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Three hundred and thirty-one violent deaths classed by the police as homicides, were reported during the year just closing in New York county, which comprises the Island of Manhattan and the Bronx. The number of indictments filed in all these cases was only 61, and 13 of those indicted prisoners are still in the Tombs prison awaiting trial. Fifteen of the prisoners indicted were committed after trial. Six policemen were arrested during the year charged with homicide.

In addition to the 331 deaths reported and classed as homicides by the police more than a thousand lives were lost in the excursion steamer General Slocum disaster and the Hotel Darlington collapse, in both of which cases criminal proceedings are pending. The indictment against builder Allison in the Hotel Darlington case has never been served, however.

PRESENTED TO KING

EMBASSY OFFICIALS RECEIVED BY EMANUEL.

ROME, Dec. 31—Ambassador Meyer being received by King Emanuel today on the occasion of the New Year's greetings, presented to His Majesty the American naval attache Lieut. Commander Wm. L. Howard, and Secretary Hitt, son of Congressman R. R. Hitt of Illinois. The king cordially returned the ambassador's greetings and conversed with him amiably. He was quite interested in Lieut. Commander Howard's medals especially in the one he received for participation in the battle of Manila. His majesty said the American navy was now largely represented at Rome, there being here three admirals, Rear Admiral John C. Watson, (retired); Rear Admiral Charles O'Neill, (retired) and Rear Admiral Charles S. Colton, (retired.) He also spoke about Panama, asking whether the canal would be built without locks.

RAN INTO CAR

NARROW ESCAPE OF THREE BOYS ON LAWRENCE LINE.

The coolness and prompt action of Motorman Albert Taylor, of this city, probably resulted in the saving of the lives of three Lawrence boys in the down river city yesterday afternoon.

Motorman Taylor left Haverhill yesterday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock and everything went all right until he reached the corner of Prospect and Perry streets in Lawrence. Just as he was about to cross Perry street his attention was attracted to a double runner on which there were three boys. The double runner was coming down the hill at a high rate of speed. The boy who was steering seemed to have lost control of the sled. Motorman Taylor instantly applied the air brakes, hoping to bring the car to a standstill and avert a collision, but he was too late as before his car was stopped it was directly in the path of the double runner, which hit the front truck of the car with great force, breaking it into kindling wood, and throwing the boys on all sides.

The passengers who had seen the danger rushed out but were surprised to find none of the boys badly hurt, in spite of their severe shock. They had a narrow escape from death under the car wheels. The motorman's nerves received a bad shock at the thought of the car running over the boys.

MATRIMONIAL

John S. Daniels and Jennie B. Parker were united in marriage Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bridegroom, 568 Chelmsford street, the ceremony being performed by Rev. A. E. Kenyon, pastor of the Chelmsford street church.

Mr. Daniels is 63 years of age while his wife is almost half his age. The groom was a widower while his bride was a widow who has been keeping house for him for a considerable length of time. This was Mr. Daniels' fourth venture in the matrimonial line.

INAUGURATION

Program of Exercises on Monday Morning

EXERCISES WILL BE WITHOUT DISPLAY

A Large Attendance is Expected

On Monday morning at 9.30 o'clock the mayor and city council for the year 1905 will be sworn into office and will proceed upon their new duties.

It is believed that this year's inaugural exercises will be attended by a greater crowd than for many years. The seating capacity of the aldermanic chamber in which the exercises take place is limited to about 280, though the number of invitations sent out yearly is greatly in excess of the seating capacity, for comparatively few of those invited attend though woe betide the mayor who neglects to send them an invitation.

This year's inauguration will be plain and modest and the floral display about the hall of former years will be omitted this year. The only floral adornments will be the boutonnieres that each member of the city council will wear in his buttonhole.

The mayors and the members of the city council-elect will assemble in the mayor's reception room at 8.30 o'clock and for an hour Mayor-Elect Casey will hold a reception. At 9.30 the line will be formed for the march to the aldermen's chamber, where the exercises will be held. The line will be led by City Messenger Pattee and Supt. of Police Moffatt, followed by Mayor-Elect Casey and Mayor Howe, Rev. Michael Ronan, who if able to be present will invoke divine blessing and Judge Hadley who will administer the oath of office. Rev. Fr. Ronan is ill today and if unabe to attend on Monday his place will be filled by Rev. W. George Mullin of St. Peter's church.

Then will follow the ex-mayors of whom there are some 10 alive though all will not be able to attend. Following them will walk the members of the new city council who will take seats in a semicircle around the mayor's desk at which will sit the two mayors, the judge and clergymen. Upon arriving at the threshold the city messenger will halt and announce, His Honor, the mayor, and mayor-elect and the city council of 1905. All will rise while the city council is taking its place. Mayor Howe will call to order and introduce the clergyman who will deliver the prayer. Then Judge Hadley will administer the oath of office to the mayor who in turn will administer it to the members of the city council. Then an order will be adopted for a joint convention forthwith for the purpose of hearing the mayor's inaugural address. Mayor Casey will then read the address.

After the reading of the inaugural the joint convention will dissolve and the common council will retire to its chamber and both branches will proceed with their work.

Meanwhile at 10 in the morning the overseers of the poor will assemble in their rooms in the basement and will organize while in the afternoon the school board will organize.

WILL VISIT MARSHALL ISLANDS.

MELBOURNE, Victoria, Dec. 31.—The Argus intimates that the British cruisers Cadmus and Torch which recently sailed for the Tonga islands, will also visit the Marshall islands in connection with the possible coaling there of vessels belonging to the Russian second Pacific squadron.

The Marshall islands are situated northeast of the Ladrone islands. They were annexed by Germany in 1886. The chief island is Jaluit, which is the seat of the German Imperial court.

THE BOOTT MILLS

Passed the Semi-Annual Dividend

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—The Boott cotton mills of Lowell have passed the semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent. usually paid at this time.

It is proposed to reorganize the finances of the corporation and a meeting of stockholders will be held here January 9.

Don't miss it. Track meet tonight.

DEATHS

COWHIG—Mrs. Ellen Cowhig, an old and well-known resident of this city, and a much esteemed member of St. Patrick's parish, died yesterday afternoon at her home, 98 School street, aged 70 years. Deceased was the wife of John Cowhig, and besides her husband, she leaves one daughter, Miss Mary, cashier and bookkeeper in Gilbride's store, and one son, Brother Norbert, superior of the Xaverian brothers, Baltimore, Md., who was at her bedside when she passed away.

The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, from her late home. Friends invited.

CORBY—Catherine Corby, aged two years and ten months, child of William and Mary, died this morning at the home of her parents, 8 Chapel street.

LANE—The funeral of Martin Lane will take place Monday morning at 8.30 o'clock from his home. A mass of requiem will be celebrated at 9.30 o'clock at St. Andrew's church in North Billerica.

JOHNSON—Miss Frankie E. Johnson, for many years book keeper in the Tremont & Suffolk mills, died yesterday at her home, 695 Merrimack street, aged 58 years. The deceased was a native of Vershire, Vt., but had resided in Lowell 35 years. She was a popular and devoted member of the Worthen Street Methodist church. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Eliza J. Johnson and one brother, Leroy H. Johnson of New Haven, Conn., and a brother, Charles L., of Keene, N. H., to whom is extended the sympathy of her large circle of friends.

The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon. Prayers at the house at 2 o'clock and services at the Worthen Street Methodist church at 2.30. Friends are invited.

HANNAFIN—The remains of Thomas Hannafin, who died in Kansas City, Mo., arrived here this morning, and were taken to the funeral chapel of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons, from where the funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

"THE MANGER THRONE."

At the Eliot church tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock the beautiful Christmas cantata, "The Manger Throne," by Charles Fonteyn Manney, will be given its first presentation in this city. It is a work at once reverent and tuneful and contains solos for each of the voices besides duets, quartets and choruses, while the text is as beautiful as the music. The church quartet, Miss Alice C. Hutchinson, Mrs. F. L. Roberts, Mr. Herbert Whipple, Mr. Arthur T. Munn will have the assistance of Miss E. V. Green, Miss Ida Woodies, Mr. J. Walsh, Jr., Mr. C. A. Nichols and Mr. Harry Needham, with Mr. S. R. Fleet at the organ.

LOST MONEY

WILL GO TO THE POLICE PENSION FUND.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Money found in the Iroquis theatre after the fire has been turned over by City Custodian Dewitt C. Creglor, to Controller McGann, the required year of holding for claimants having passed. The box full of coins and the envelopes containing charred bank notes and bits of bills are valued at $280 and will go to the police pension fund.

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MANY CHILDREN

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Owing to the fact that the children of this city have been out of school this week the children's department at the Lowell city library has been well patronized during the week, the number of children in attendance being a record breaker.

Miss Bertha G. Kyle, who is in charge of the children's department, has had her hands full taking care of the little ones from noon until 8 o'clock every day. It is surprising to see the number of children who afford themselves of the opportunity of the reading matter and picture books in this department. All of the visitors in this department are orderly and it is seldom if ever that Miss Kyle has to caution any of the children about their behavior.

Many new books have been added to the already large collection.

Superintendent Wyman, of the reading room of the library, says that the attendance in his department this year is also above the average, and the place is well filled with men at all hours of the day and evening. Many people who are out of work spend a few hours in the day at the reading room and find plenty of enjoyment in reading the different papers and magazines on file. If the attendance in the reading room keeps increasing larger quarters will be needed.

BRIDGE BURNED

Trains Had to Take Different Route

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 31.—Fire today destroyed 150 feet of the Lake Shore railway double track bridge spanning Sandusky Bay, 60 miles west of this city. As a result, all trains were diverted via the Southern division between this city and Toledo. A large force of men was put to work repairing the bridge and the railway officials said that traffic over it would be resumed within a short time.

GOVERNOR HIGGINS

TOOK THE OATH OF OFFICE THIS AFTERNOON.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Governor-elect Higgins took the oath of office this afternoon in the office of the secretary of state and in the presence of that official and the members of his own family together with a few personal friends. It was Governor Higgins' wish that the ceremony be quiet as it would be repeated in the formal inauguration ceremonies on Monday in the assembly chamber. The two years' term of office begins at midnight today. Secretary of State John F. O'Brien administered the oath.

ARBITRATION TREATY SIGNED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31—Mr. Ojeda, the Spanish minister today signed with Secretary Hay, an arbitration treaty between Spain and the United States similar to those already signed with other nations.

Ex-Pres. Thomas H. Gallagher of the M. T. I., who has been confined to his home on Third street the early part of the week with illness, is fast recovering.

THOMAS HAS PNEUMONIA.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Theodore Thomas, leader of the Chicago orchestra, passed a restless night and his condition was less favorable. A consultation of physicians today confirmed the statement that the patient has pneumonia.

FINE COASTING

In Different Sections of the City

The coasting throughout the city was never better than it is at the present time, and all of the members of the rising generation of this city, together with some of the older people are enjoying coasting.

The last snow storm made a fine foundation for coasting and the rain which followed it made the different coasting places icy and solid.

The hills of Centralville and Belvidere seem to be the most popular places for the youngsters, and while all of the different coasting places are in fine condition some of them are highly dangerous, especially those which cross the electric car tracks.

The different hills in Centralville leading from Bridge street have been well patronized during the week, but Third, Sixth and Tenth streets hills are very dangerous owing to the fact that the Christian hill car passes over the three above mentioned streets six times every hour. The motormen on this route have been cautioned to be on the lookout for the coasters, and many narrow escapes have been reported, and if it had not been for the strict attention of the motormen many serious accidents might have resulted.

What is know as Fay's hill, at the top of Tenth street hill, and Richardsons' hill in the rear of the high service reservoir have been well patronized by the children, while there has been good tobogganing on the hills of the fields which extend from Tenth street to Methuen street.

There are numerous coasting places in Belvidere also, especially Sherman and Mansur streets. The former street is rather dangerous owing to the fact that the coasters have to cross the line of the High street cars. On Mansur street the hill is very steep but not so dangerous as other streets.

ADMIRAL TOGO DECLINES RECEPTION

TOKIO, Dec. 31, 10 a. m.—The emperor has presented Vice Admirals Togo and Kamimura with a number of articles, including watches, formerly worn by himself. Admiral Togo has declined the reception tendered him by the municipality of Tokio, on the ground that the time is not yet ripe for such a function.

Vice Admiral Togo will devote his time while in Tokio conferring with Marquis Ito, president of the Privy council; Admiral Yamamoto, minister of the navy; Vice Admiral Ijuin, assistant chief of general staff; Rear Admiral Saito, Vice minister of marine and other members of the Imperial naval staff. They will discuss the plans for the future conduct of naval warfare.

Vice Admiral Togo today attended the funeral of a number of officers and men, who were killed at Port Arthur, while serving under him. He read an eulogy upon them.

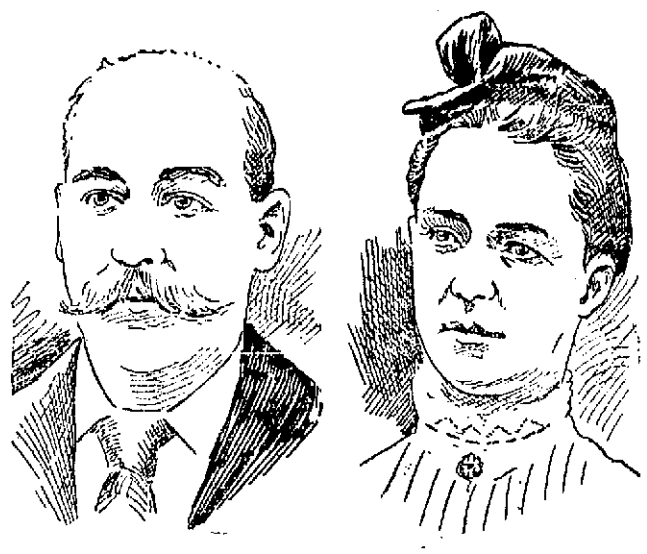
CONGRESSMAN HILL

IS A CANDIDATE FOR U. S. SENATOR.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 31.—Announcement was made here today that Congressman Ebenezer J. Hill of Norwalk would be a candidate before the general assembly for the U. S. senatorship to succeed Senator Hawley, and in opposition to the candidacy of ex-Governor Buckley and Samuel Fessenden. It is claimed that already Mr. Hill has received many pledges from representatives-elect and senators-elect.

MILLS WILL RESUME.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 31—Notices were posted today at the S. National Tube Works in McKeesport, notifying the five thousand employees that all departments of the big plant would resume operations Sunday night.



MR. AND MRS. ROB'T CAMPBELL.

SILVER WEDDING

Anniversary Observed by Mr. and Mrs. Campbell

The well appointed home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Campbell, 13 Myrtle street, was the scene last evening of the observance of the 25th anniversary of their wedding and the occasion was a very pleasant one. Surrounded by their relatives and friends the happy couple drank in the sunshine of the occasion and received good wishes and congratulations with hearts filled with joy.

The worthy couple have traversed the matrimonial highway for many miles and as the distance posts were passed their happiness increased and it is the fondest wish of their many friends that they will live to reach their golden anniversary, twenty-five years hence, and that their love and courage may be as strong then as it is today.

The happy couple were the recipients, last evening, of many beautiful and useful presents including a purse of silver dollars, a great variety of silverware, and well selected china. Refreshments were served, the Misses Alice Stearns and Christine Campbell pouring.

Mr. Campbell is a prominent member of Clan Grant and he has a membership with Uncunoonuc Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Manchester, N. H. Mrs. Campbell is associated with the local lodge of Odd Ladies.

The ushers last evening were Messrs. James Brown and Archie Campbell.

Mr. Aivah Baxter of Maynard gave fine piano selections, and Mr. James Brown contributed tenor solos. Miss Christine Campbell soprano solos, and Miss Alice Stearns contralto solos.

Mrs. Campbell was Miss Annie Pettigrew of Glasgow, Scotland, where the wedding ceremony was solemnized 25 years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell came to America with their family in 1888, and made Manchester, N. H., their home, coming to Lowell six years ago.

Mr. Campbell is the genial janitor of the Bon Marche building.

There are five children: Archie, Annie, now Mrs. James Brown; Christine, Robert, Jr., and Jessie, who all reside with their parents.

SAVES MOTHER

NEW YORK GIRL PROVED HERSELF A HEROINE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31—Anna Oglesby, twenty, and pretty, showed herself a brave girl yesterday when she saved the lives of her two brothers, Thomas, fourteen, and John, fifteen, when incendiaries set fire to her home, Berkeley place and Fifth avenue, Brooklyn, and then, with her hair ablaze, garments scorched, started to the rescue of her mother, who was penned in by the flames and smoke.

This fire was only another of the two score of fires started by incendiaries who are working in the Park Slope section of Brooklyn. Like all the other fires, it was started in a house occupied by several families, and it was set in a place where it would cut off escape to the street by the stairway.

Policeman Murtagh climbed up an awning post, smashed in the windows of an apartment occupied by Miss Ashley and her sister-in-law, Mrs. H. Ashley. He rescued both these, taking one down the awning post. Then he heard cries for help from the fourth floor, the top, occupied by Miss Anna Oglesby, her mother and two brothers.

As Murtagh ran up the fire escape he came upon Miss Oglesby. On her shoulders was the unconscious form of her younger brother. Her nightdress had been almost burned off, but she clung to her burden.

"Take him down," she said to the policeman. The policeman took the unconscious boy and carried him to safety. Then he ran back up the escape. Half way up he met the girl with the unconscious form of her second brother on her shoulders. Again he relieved her of her burden, and again she ran up the fire escape.

This time she went for her mother, who lay insensible in a room so filled with smoke that it was suffocating. Her burden by this time was more than the girl could bear. She tugged away at the unconscious mother until the policeman came to her, and then the two carried the mother to safety.

VALUE OF ENGINEERING CONTRACTS.

The following table compiled by the F. W. Dodge company, shows the total value of contracts awarded on new building and engineering enterprises throughout New England, as compared with corresponding periods during several years past:

Contracts awarded Jan. 1, 1904, to date	$ 96,783,000
Contracts awarded corresponding period, 1903	103,675,000
Contracts awarded corresponding period, 1902	132,901,000
Contracts awarded corresponding period, 1901	120,288,000
Contracts awarded week ending Dec. 28, 1904	1,945,000
Contracts awarded corresponding period, 1903	906,000
Contracts awarded corresponding period, 1902	1,246,000
Contracts awarded corresponding period, 1901	1,314,000

GERMAN LOAN TERMS.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 31.—The terms of the new German loan are regarded favorably here and as evidence of the state of Russian credit abroad. It is pointed out that during the Russo-Turkish war, the Mendelssohns (bankers of Berlin), who are syndicating the present loan, were not completely successful in financing a five per cent. loan at 76.

HANGED HIMSELF.

MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., Dec. 31.—Joseph J. Rogers, a prominent grain broker and a member of the Philadelphia commercial exchange, committed suicide last night by hanging at his home in Midford near here. Since the death of his wife, a few months ago, Mr. Rogers had been melancholy and it is thought that this was the cause of his act.

CUSTOMS REVENUE.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 31.—The Shanghai customs revenue for the fiscal year, amounts to ovr one and one half million pounds sterling.

IRISH TENANTS

FLED FOR LIFE FROM MOVING BOG.

LONDON, Dec. 31—Graphic details are now being received of the devastation caused by a moving bog in the County of Roscommon, Ireland.

The bog, which is known as the Cloonshever, is three miles from Castleren. When it began to slide it moved three-quarters of a mile in a few days, covering everything in its way with peat and water to the depth of eight or ten feet.

"Few people can fully realize," writes a correspondent, "what a moving bog really means to the unfortunate tenants whose lot it is to live on Lord De-Freyne's French park estate. The peasants are surrounded on all sides with miles of bog and water. Last Saturday the immense bog which overhangs the valleys, without any previous warning, swept down on them like an avalanche. The first intimation the villagers had of this visitation was the bog stuff dashing in at the doors of the houses so rapidly that it was with great difficulty many of the unfortunate people escaped with their lives.

"Many of the houses have wholly disappeared, while all that is to be seen of the others is the chimney tops."

LOOTED CARAVANS

BRIGANDS HAVE NOT BEEN PUNISHED YET.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 31.—The American legation has sent another note to the Porte pointing out that the brigands who looted a caravan belonging to the American house of MacAndrews and Forbes of Smyrna, near Aleppo, Asiatic Turkey, recently have not yet been punished and demanding that prompt instructions be sent to the governor of Zor, the district in which the outrage was committed, to arrest and punish the followers of the notorious chief Ibrahim Pasha, who looted the caravan.

FUNERALS

CLEGG—The funeral of the late Jas. Clegg took place at his residence, 128 London street, yesterday afternoon, and Rev. N. W. Matthews of the Primitive Methodist church officiated. The bearers were Joseph Platt, James T. Whitehead, William Buckley of No. Billerica and Robert Scott of Haverhill. Mr. Ernest Robinson had charge of the arrangements. J. A. Weinbeck was the undertaker. Burial was in the Edson cemetery. Deceased and bearers were former residents of Milnrow, England.

LOISELLE—The funeral of the late Charles Loiselle took place yesterday from the home of his brother-in-law, Henri Chaput, 84 Aiken street. Funeral services were held at St. Louis' church, and Rev. Fr. Jacques officiated. The bearers were Alexandre, Joseph and Alfred Loiselle, brothers of the deceased; and Pierre Bourgeois, Eugene Gosselin and Henri Chaput, his brothers-in-law. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery. Rev. Fr. Gauthier officiated at the grave. Undertaker Amedee Archambault had charge.

O'CONNOR—The funeral of Susan O'Connor was held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the rooms of Undertaker Molloy, and burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery, where Rev. Fr. Carney officiated at the grave. Undertaker Molloy had charge.

HENDERSON—The funeral of the late Annie Henderson, wife of Thomas, took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from her late home, 15 Howe street. The funeral was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased and proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at nine o'clock by Rev. Eugene A. Dorgan, O. M. I.

The choir, under the direction of Mr. P. F. Haggerty, sang the Gregorian mass and during the service appropriate selections were rendered by the members of the choir.

The bearers were Messrs. Thomas H. Cawley, James Mclnnough, Frank Johnson and Daniel Collins. The interment was in the Catholic cemetery where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Dorgan, O. M. I. The funeral was under the direction of Funeral Director Charles H. Molloy.

FIRE BROKE OUT

BLAZE IN TALLEST BUILDING IN THE WORLD.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31—Fire on the eleventh floor of the Park Row building the tallest office building in the world today, caused considerable excitement among the occupants, but the fire was soon extinguished and the frightened ones were quickly reassured. The damage resulting directly frm the fire was small, but several of the offices were flooded with water.

CHIEF BURCKES

GOES TO MAINE FOR PETER ALLYWARD.

LYNN, Dec. 31—Chief of Police Burckes today went to Thomaston, Maine, state prison with warrants to take into custody when he is discharged on Monday, one Peter Allyward, who is wanted for breaking and entering in Lynn in 1903. He was indicted by the grand jury when a partner was captured, but he had previously gone to Maine where he was sentenced for breaking and entering in that state.

WRECKING TUGS

TRIED TO REACH THE STEAMER DRUMELZIER.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Wrecking tugs with barges attempted to reach the stranded British steamer Drumelzier which is lying broken in two on the sand bar off Oak Island today, but the sea was still running so high that they met with little success. Towboat commanders appeared to be afraid to run close into where the Drumelzier lies and finally the barges, on which it is hoped to save some of the wrecked steamer's cargo, were dropped down toward the wreck by means of long tow lines.

SCIENTISTS' CONVENTION ENDS.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—The annual convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science came to an end with today's session at the University of Pennsylvania. This convention has been the most successful in the history of the association. The papers read at the present gathering have been more of a popular nature than those of any previous one.

Today's proceedings began with a meeting of the general body in the college chapel. President Farrow congratulated the scientists on the great success of the convention. He was followed by several other members who made brief speeches.

The general meeting took up about an hour after which several of the affiliated stockholders went into session to dispose of unfinished business.

BIG BUSINESS ON STOCK EXCHANGE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—A summary of the year's operations on the stock exchange shows that the volume of business was far in excess of last year. Dealings in listed stocks aggregated about 168,000,000 shares, an increase of over 20,000,000 compared with 1903. In unlisted stocks business for 1904 was fully 6,500,000 shares in excess of 1903, while the dealings in bonds were greater by many millions of dollars.

ACCUSED OF STEALING STOCK.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 31.—The steamship Lucania, which sailed for New York today, took among her passengers Sheriff Penglase of Marquette, Michigan, and James Wallace, alias James Wilson, who was arrested at Liverpool, Nov. 24, charged with stealing stock certificates to the value of $30,000 from Edward B. Bolling, a banker of Marquette, Michigan.

HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 31.—In his first annual report now being prepared for the legislature, State Engineer Henry A. Van Alstyne pays particular attention to highway improvement which he considers of equal importance with canal work. In the course of his report he says:

The boundary lines between the states of New York and Vermont of which survey and permanent marking was in progress during the last year, has been completed and the details, with maps and photographs, will form a part of the forthcoming report.

MATHEWS' TABLE MEETS.

The final meeting of the Isabella table, K. of C. carnival, was held at the quarters of the Mathew Temperance institute last evening and the attendance far eclipsed all previous meetings.

After business was done dancing was enjoyed to the music of the Manhattan orchestra. The officers of the dancing were: Floor marshal, Michael F. Lawn; aids, George L. Hunt, Denis Sullivan, Walter F. Hickey, Walter E. Flaherty, William Higgins, Timothy Fitzgerald and John J. Lyons.

A meeting of the lady attendants has been called for next Friday evening.

President George L. Hunt is chairman of the table. President-elect John V. Donoghue, secretary; P. F. Nestor, treasurer; and Miss Katherine F. Morris, matron.

KILLED HIMSELF

WHEN HE LEARNED THAT HIS FIRST WIFE LIVED.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Grief over the discovery that his first wife is living and his second marriage is invalid is believed to have caused Thomas Harbin of South Braintree to kill himself.

The officers of the steamer Indian, which left Boston last Tuesday, reported at Philadelphia that Harbin had committed suicide by jumping overboard as the steamer was going through Vineyard sound. It was very foggy and there was a high sea when he was missed, and it would have been dangerous and useless to send a boat out to look for him.

According to Harbin's sister, a Mrs. Slade of South Weymouth, Harbin's first wife was believed to have died in England. He was married to Miss Susie Porter, of South Braintree, last June, and recently learned that his first wife was still living.

A few hours after the Indian sailed from Boston, Harbin's wife received a letter from him in which he spoke of being afraid that because of poor health he would become a burden on her. He said that he would not see her again, "at least not in this world".

When the Indian docked at Philadelphia her purser was handed a telegraph message addressed to Harbin. It was signed "your father" and asked him to return at once, as all would be forgiven. Mrs. Harbin knew nothing of the message. Harbin's father lives in England. Harbin was 32 years old and a shoe cutter by trade.

WENT OVER THE COURSE.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 31—The gun boat Chattanooga, with the naval trial board and engineers trial board went over the measured mile course in Narragansett Bay today, starting from Beaver Tail light. The trial board inspected all parts of the vessel with the exception of the machinery, and also had the crews go through drill. The engineers board had charge of the work of standardizing the propeller.

VOICE RESTORED

BY THE TOUCH OF A SACRED RELIC.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 31—Miss Mary Dickson, who for several months had suffered from a nervous affection that took her voice away entirely, came home from Philadelphia and astonished her mother by speaking as well as ever. She said that the cure had been effected by the prayers of the Rev. Father Corkemaz, an Assyrian priest, rector of the Catholic church of St. Maron.

The girl had heard that the Philadelphia priest had cured a severe case of rheumatism and was induced to visit Fr. Corkemaz. She says that the priest prayed with her and touched her thorax with a relic of St. Maron. He then told her to go home, and that her voice would return. She devoutly believes that a miracle has been worked. Miss Dickson's friends, who are Protestants, vouch for the cure.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

REMOVED FROM OFFICE BY ORDER OF PRESIDENT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—President Roosevelt today directed the removal from office of John H. Hall, United States district attorney for Oregon. Mr. Hall has been prosecuting officer of the government in the land fraud cases and the removal is made in connection with them.

The announcement of District Attorney Hall's removal was made by Attorney General Moody as he left the White House after a conference with the president. He declined to say what charges if any had been made against Hall, but added that for the good of the service it was thought best to dispense with him, particularly in connection with the land fraud cases in Oregon, the prosecution of which has been conducted by Hall.

Earlier in the day Senator Fulton of Oregon had a talk with the president concerning land fraud cases but whether this talk had any relation to the removal could not be learned.

AMERICAN PIG IRON.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The pig iron merchants of Great Britain, have concluded an agreement whereby in their new contracts, certain specified brands of American pig iron will be tenderable against speculative contracts in the United Kingdom. Fourteen American brands are listed of which 10 are from Alabama, and four from Tennessee. The new arrangement will show the delivery of American brands instead of British in the event of any attempt to establish a corner in the latter.

Mr. William Green, formerly of this city, but now a resident of Paterson, N. J., is visiting his parents on Lawrence street, this city.

HAPPY BROKERS

Celebrate Close of the Old Year

NEW YORK, Dec. 31—The close of the year was celebrated with much enthusiasm on the stock exchange. The trade floor was handsomely decorated with bunting and greens. Long before the close of the market, the galleries were crowded with gaily dressed women. Promptly at noon, the celebration began, the program being opened with "America" by a military band. This was followed by other patriotic airs while on the floor the members engaged in impromptu foot ball games and throwing of confetti. A part of the floor was roped off and this place was occupied by friends of the members. The celebration was at its height at 12.30 o'clock.

FISKE IS PRESIDENT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31—The secretary of the treasury today designated general appraiser I. S. Fisher as president of the board of general appraisers at New York to serve for one year from January 1, 1905.

AMALGAMATED SHARES

WERE SOLD BY THE BOSTON HOUSES.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Under the lead of Amalgamated the copper shares in the early Boston stock market today developed weakness. Boston houses were steady sellers of Amalgamated while arbitrage houses were buyers. Copper continued easy throughout the session and closed generally lower than last night, although slightly above the lowest of today. The tape showed that 11,800 shares in Amalgamated had changed hands, five thousand shares of copper range, 8000 of Greene Consolidated and 2700 of Trinity. Greene closed at 26⅛ off ⅝; Isle Royale at 27½ off ½, and United States Mining at 24⅝ off ⅛.

The general list held well. The investment stocks, especially the home railroads, were in good demand and closed strong.

Boston Elevated gained ½ to 155½ and N. Y., N. H. and H. closed at 199 up ½. United Shoe Machinery touched 51½, a new record for 1904, comparing with low of 45¼.

BARK ABANDONED.

DOVER, Eng., Dec. 31.—The Swedish steamer Svealand (from Savannah Dec. 8) put into this port today and landed the crew of the British bark Blanche (Captain Sinclair, from St. Johns, N. F., for Bahia) which was abandoned in a sinking condition Dec. 22 in latitude 44 north and longitude 42 west.

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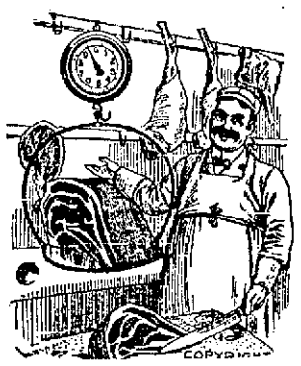

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Best Smoked Bacon.....12c lb.
Best Hams .....11c lb.
Best Smoked Shoulders....8c lb.
Fresh Shoulders.....9c lb.
Best Round Steak, 2 lbs. for 25c
Best Rump and Sirloin Steak, 15c lb.
Best Corned Beef....5c to 7c lb.
Best Legs Veal.....10c lb.

Best short cut Legs Lamb 10c lb.
Best Cape Cod Cranberries, 5c qt.
Best Bread Flour, 85c bag; $6.75 bbl.
Best Butterine.....10c to 15c lb.
Best Creamery Butter, 5-lb. Boxes, $1.50
Best Green Mountain Potatoes, 18c peck; 70c bush.
6 lbs. of large Prunes..... 25c
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NEW TUNNEL

Fast Time Made on the First Day

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Most everybody went tunnelward to and from East Boston yesterday, with the result that the ferries had little to do. The new tunnel was admired by all who passed through it and East Bostonians generally were singing its praises all last evening, and, strange to say, there was little comment on the extra toll charged.

The officials of the Boston Elevated company said last evening that the arrangements were perfect and not the slightest hitch had occurred.

The enthusiasm seemed commensurate with the boon that accrues to East Boston with its newest and most novel improvement. There was a large crowd at the entrance of the tunnel in Maverick square last evening to watch the entrance and exit of cars, and many people went through the big tube a half dozen times "just for the sensation," they said. The cars made better time after the rush hours and a passenger was able to leave Central square, East Boston, and get to Washington street, in eight minutes, six minutes having been consumed in making the trip from Central square to the old statehouse. One man said he reached the old court house station in four minutes from Maverick square. Dr. J. H. Bussey went from his office on Paris street, near station 7, to Boylston street in eight minutes.

It seemed as if about every resident of Chelsea who worked in Boston went to his home by way of the tunnel, for the Chelsea cars were packed from 5 till 7.30 o'clock. Many, of course, made the trip for the novelty of it, but there was also a great saving in time.

Without the fuss and feathers which have characterized the opening of subways ,or tunnels, in cities to which they are an endless novelty, Boston threw open to public travel yesterday morning the big tube which connects East Boston with the city proper. The day and evening preceding had been marked by the passage through the tunnel of the officials and guests particularly interested in the undertaking and before daylight the general public was afforded the same quick means of communication between the island wards and the city.

The tunnel itself was as spick and span in its interior dress of white tiling, illuminated by countless electric lights, as was possible, and the traveling public, principally coming into the city during the morning hours, as was natural, was quick to appreciate the change in the conditions presented.

Arrangements had been made at the city stations to handle a possible crush of enthusiastic first-riders, and officers from station 2 were stationed at the Scollay square exit, the Court and Devonshire street entrances. But there was no crush. C. M. Bonneau of 13 Irving street claimed the honor of purchasing the first ticket on the city side, and announced his intention of preserving it as a souvenir.

When the first car arrived and discharged its freight perhaps 20 men and boys were waiting to secure seats for the first return trip. There were but few passengers standing when the car left Devonshire street, and some of those by choice. Most of them were simply availing themselves of the quicker means of transit to their work or homes, but a few were enthusiasts who went under the harbor simply for the sake of returning and making the first trip.

The first car left Maverick square at 5.30 o'clock. Fifty passengers were on this car, according to the register—44 men and six women. Some took out watches to time the ride over. Although the car ran at a slow pace, it was just 5.36 o'clock when the freight was landed at the Scollay square station.

The return trip to Maverick square was made in four minutes. The second car over also made the trip in four minutes. Thereafter cars were run at intervals of two minutes. Everything went on as smoothly as if the tunnel had been in operation for a year.

Division Superintendent H. H. Esty and his two inspectors, Henry C. Dow and Walter Ray were on hand, and kept the cars moving along in good shape.

John Alexander was the motorman on car 581, the first one to enter the tunnel, and James O'Brien the conductor. During the day and evening 32,000 fares were taken up.

TOOK HER MONEY

MAN FOUND IT SEWED UP IN WOMAN'S SKIRT.

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 31—Patrick Dunn's deduction that a woman's skirt which had yielded $45 might reasonably be expected to contain further riches and his discovery of $120 as a result of this happy thought, landed him in the New Bedford jail, where he now awaits the action of the grand jury.

Dunn had been staying with James Harrington and his wife Ellen. The three caroused the other night until their money was gone. Harrington knew his wife had $45 in the pocket of her skirt and succeeded after a struggle in getting possession of it. He skipped out of the house with the money. His wife, despite the lack of a skirt, followed him. Dunn, left in charge, made further explorations in the vicinity and extracted $120, which Mrs. Harrington had sewed up in the garment and kept there to insure her a decent burial.

By the time Mr. and Mrs. Harrington returned they had adjusted their difference over the $45 and had decided to spend it without Dunn's assistance. Dunn was consequently kicked out and not until later was the discovery made that the $120 had been kicked out with him. The police were put on the case and Dunn was arrested with $111 in his possession.

CHELMSFORD

The Chelmsford High School Alumni held a semi-annual social meeting in Odd Fellows' hall last evening and a game of anagrams formed the feature of the entertainment. The prizes offered were secured by Mr. R. W. Emerson and Miss Mary B. Bartlett, as winners of the highest scores, the consolation prizes going to Mr. Hermon H. Hill and Miss Zelma Swift. Refreshments followed and the evening's pleasure was rounded out with general dancing. The arrangements were in charge of Miss Robein H. Greenleaf and Miss Bertha G. Bartlett.

Miss E. L. Parkhurst entertained her pupils at her home on High street yesterday afternoon.

STILL ALARM OF FIRE.

A still alarm yesterday summoned a portion of the fire department to a chimney fire in a house in Davidson street, owned by L. J. Montferrand.

Chief Hosmer, of the fire department, who was confined to his home yesterday, put in an appearance at his office this morning.

ACCUSES FATHER

Boy Says He Killed Mother and Daughter

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 31.—A special to the Gazette from Newport, Ark., says:

Before the coroner's jury investigating the murder of Mrs. Amelia Mauldin, Newton Alwhite, 19 years old, confessed to being a party to the outrage and murder of the woman and her mother, whose body he says was thrown into the White river near the scene of the Christmas crime on the Jackson Port road. The boy implicated his father, Louis Alwhite, aged 43 years, who, he says, first shot the girl and then the mother. The elder Alwhite maintains his innocence and together with relatives testified to a story implicating Arthur Bunch and Walter Burgess, white farmers, but these men were able to prove alibis.

DIVORCE CASE

SUPREME COURT TO DECIDE ON IT.

BENNINGTON, Vt., Dec. 31—Jennie Sargood was granted a divorce yesterday from Eugene F. Sargood, who has been convicted twice at this term of court on criminal indictments, though already in state prison. Her application was made under the statute that provides that a divorce may be granted where the defendant is confined in prison for three or more years. It took 80 minutes to try the case.

Counsel for defendant took exceptions from the fact that Sargood may not serve three years. His first sentence was for 3½ years and his allowance for good behavior will bring time down to less than three years. The case goes to the supreme court.

BILLERICA

Martin Lane, aged 87 years, one of the oldest residents of the town of Billerica, died yesterday noon at his home in that town. He had been a well known figure in the town for many years and was very active in farming circles until his health became impaired.

The deceased was born in Ireland on the 13th day of November, 1817. The early days of his life were spent in the old country though he came to this country while a youth. His first settlement was in Boston and in 1841 he went to Billerica where he engaged in farming. Mr. Lane was married Aug. 27, 1853, in St. Mary's church, Lowell, by Rev. Timothy O'Brien. He was not interested in social or secret organizations, being noted for his home life.

He is survived by a widow and four children, Catherine (Mrs. Patrick Kennelly of Billerica); Louise, (Mrs. Morrisey of Chestnut Hill, Brookline); Miss Mary E., teacher in the Butler school of Lowell, and Anna L. Lane. Eight grandchildren also survive.

Mr. Frederick Leroy Dawson of North Billerica was surprised by about 75 of his young friends at Union hall last evening. Mr. Dawson is about to enter the Mt. Hermon school at Northfield.

Mr. William Macwell, in behalf of the company, presented Mr. Dawson with a dresser trunk. Mr. Dawson responded after which dancing was enjoyed to the strains of the Oriole orchestra and the remainder of the evening was spent in a very pleasant manner.

The affair was under the direction of the Oriole club, of which Mr. Dawson is a member. The officers of the evening were: General manager, Warren Hanson; assistant, Edward Keating; floor director, William Maxwell; chief aid, John McDonough; aids, Benj. Fielding, Frank Hannon and Eben Corr.

The annual meeting of the Orthodox church organization was held in the vestry of the church last evening. Reports were read and the election of officers for the ensuing term held. The new officers are:

Treasurer, J. F. Bruce; clerk, Deacon Dana H. Spiller; standing committee, John E. Bull, William H. King and J. F. Bruce; ex-officio, the pastor, Rev. J. Harold Dale and Deacons Dana H. Spiller and Herbert A. King; Sunday school committee, Sidney A. Hall, Miss Carrie Greenwood and Mrs. H. A. King; missionary committee, Rev. J. H. Dale, Mrs. E. R. Gould, and Mrs. H. A. King; representative of the church building society, Edward Winckler.

COMPANY FAILED

Boston Machinery Company Goes Under

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—The Holmes and Blanchard company, a Massachusetts corporation, engaged in the manufacture of heavy mill machinery, assigned today for the benefit of its creditors to Edward M. Moore and Nathan H. Rogers of this city. The plant is at the North End. The company has been established for over 50 years and its financial trouble is due to the falling off in the demand for the machinery which it manufactures. Its liabilities are estimated at $20,000 and its assets at half that amount.

CHILDREN'S HOME

THIRD ANNIVERSARY TO BE OBSERVED NEXT MONDAY.

Next Monday will mark the third anniversary of the children's home and Miss O'Leary has made arrangements to have the anniversary properly observed. There will be a reception in the afternoon from 2 to 5 and friends are cordially invited to call and see the little ones.

BOARD OF TRADE

DIRECTORS MET AND PASSED RESOLUTIONS.

The directors of the Lowell board of trade held a meeting yesterday with the president, C. H. Conant in the chair.

It was voted to have the annual assessment remain unchanged, $5 The chair was authorized to provide suitable refreshments for the members present at the annual meeting to be held Jan. 17.

A communication relative to pending arbitration treaties was read, and the following resolution was unanimously passed:

Resolved, That the Lowell board of trade desires to give its emphatic endorsement and support to the efforts now being made to secure the ratification of arbitration treaties between the United States and other nations. It fully believes that with very few exceptions, all international differences, not capable of diplomatic settlement, should be settled by arbitration.

Voted, That the secretary be instructed to send a copy of the above resolution to the secretary of the state board of trade, and to our senators in congress.

J. H. Shepard, Wm. W. Ward and Milo D. Clay participated in a discussion relative to a communication from the Providence chamber of commerce, about the establishment of an International Bureau of Boards of Trade, to give credit-information to business men, but no definite action was taken.

The committee on revision of the by-laws reported through Harvey B. Greene, recommending certain changes therein, to be submitted to the full board at the annual meeting on Jan. 17, and the same was approved by a unanimous vote.

SURPRISE PARTY.

Miss Albena Lowrey was surprised by her many friends at her home, 26 Exeter street, Friday evening. She was presented with a beautiful locket and chain, the address being read by Miss Frances Curry. There were vocal selections by Miss Anna Kirby, Miss Gertrude McCabe, and Miss Lena Lowrey. The Misses Frances and Louise Curry assisted at the piano. The party broke up at a late hour.

LITTLE GIRL BADLY HURT.

Agnes Bates, daughter of Eddo V. Bates of 115 Beech street, had a narrow escape from being killed while coasting down Third street hill yesterday afternoon. As it was the girl is now suffering from a broken nose and several minor injuries.

With a number of companions she was coasting on Third street, starting at Beacon street and going almost to Bridge street. At the time of the accident she was steering six or seven other sleds, while lying on her stomach on her own sled. The hill between Beacon and Fremont streets was partially icy and it was hard to manage the sleds.

When she reached the corner of Fremont street she apparently lost control of the sleds on account of the speed at which they were going and struck an iron cover of a sewer man hole.

The sudden stopping of so many other sleds threw the coasters in every direction and several landed on top of the unfortunate girl.

After picking herself up she made her way home with the blood flowing profusely from her nose and throat. On her arrival there was no one at home and the little girl was forced to stop on the front steps some time in hopes some member of the family would arrive.

Mrs. David Stillings in passing, heard the cries and took the child to her home. A doctor was summoned and the child's wounds were dressed while the family was notified.

First Day
Second Day
Third Day
Every Day

of the New Year, on which you desire an exquisite dessert confection to make your family and guests confection-happy, serve them with

NABISCO SUGAR WAFERS

Begin aright by wishing your New Year's callers "Happy New Year" with these delicious creations.

FESTINO —another confection, like an almond in appearance and flavor, with a shell that dissolves on your tongue and surprises you with a delightful kernel of cream.

NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY

LEGAL NOTICES

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Eliza A. Girard of Lowell in said County, that she was lawfully married to Lucius N. Girard, now of New York, N. Y., at said Lowell, on the eighth day of July, A. D. 1877, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said Lucius N. Girard lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, to wit, at said Lowell, and at Manchester, N. H., that your libellant has always been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said Lucius N. Girard being wholly regardless of the same, at said Lowell in July 1885 utterly deserted your libellant without cause and against her consent and has continued such desertion ever since being more than three consecutive years prior to the filing of this libel; and prior to such desertion and since being of sufficient ability has utterly failed and neglected to provide suitable support and maintenance for your libellant; and after said marriage and prior to said desertion he contracted gross and confirmed habits of intoxication caused by the voluntary and excessive use of intoxicating liquor; and subjected your libellant to cruel and abusive treatment and extreme cruelty; and at said New York, N. Y., on divers days and times prior to the filing of this libel and at divers other places was guilty of the crime of adultery with a woman whose name to your libellant is unknown.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Lucius N. Girard.

Dated this nineteenth day of October A. D. 1904.

ELIZA A. GIRARD.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, Dec. 18, A. D. 1904.

Upon the libel aforesaid, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of February next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the residence of the libellee as set out in the libel, that he may then and there show cause, if any he have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

BOSTON & MAINE R. R.

Corrected to October 10, 1904. Trains leave Merrimack Street Depot, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.43, 6.22, x6.45, 7.40, *8.50, *9.23, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, x5.44 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.

Trains leave Middlesex Street Station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.46, 6.28, *6.39, x6.49, w6.50, 7.01, 7.24, 7.31, *7.48, 7.52, w*8.00, *8.57, w9.25, *9.33, w10.50, 11.05, *11.43 a. m.; w12.05, 12.14, w12.50, 1.44, *1.56, w2.30, w*2.10, *3.47, w3.55, 4.28, w5.06, 5.22, x5.40, w*5.15, *6.12, w7.00, 7.29, 9.30 p. m. SUNDAYS 8.39, 7.24, w8.16, 8.48, 9.20 a. m.; w12.10, 2.25, w3.55, w5.32, 5.29, w8.03 p. m.

For Lawrence, 6.28, w6.50, z7.31, w8.30, w9.25, w10.50 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, w2.30, w3.55, w5.06, w6.15, w7.00, w9.30, w11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, w5.15 a. m.; w12.10, w5.32 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.31 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, n2.30, a3.55, w5.06, 5.28 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.28, 6.50, z7.31, 8.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, w3.55, w5.06, 6.15, 7.00, 9.30, 11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15, a. m.; 12.10, 5.32 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.28 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.28, z7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.28, z7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.28, 8.30, a. m.; 12.05, 5.06 p. m.; SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.06, p. m.

For Rockland, 8.30 a. m., 12.05 p. m.

For Skowhegan, 8.30 a. m.

For Bangor and Belfast, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS 5.32 p. m.

For St. John, N. B., Halifax, N. S., 6.28 a. m.; 5.06 p. m. (5.06 does not run Saturdays.) SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via steamer from Portland) on Monday at 12.05 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgewick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport, Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland), Tuesday and Friday at 5.06 p. m.

Last trip of season, October 28, 1904.

For Woburn, 6.28, 7.01, *7.48, 11.05 a. m.; 1.44, 4.28 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.48 a. m.; 2.25, 5.29 p. m.

For Ayer Junction, Stations on W. N. & P. and Fitchburg Divisions, 7.07, 11.55 a. m.; 5.01 and 5.42 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2.15 p. m.

For Stations on W. N. & P. Division, Nashua to Portland, Me., 9.03 a. m. (3.40 p. m. to Rochester only.)

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.03 a. m.; 1.00, 3.40, 5.29 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.03 a. m.; 3.40 p. m. SUNDAYS to Hillsboro 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.30, 9.03, 9.39, *10.39 a. m.; *12.00, 1.00, *1.39, 3.40, *5.20, 6.27, *8.10, *9.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 10.02 a. m.; 2.00, 6.02, *8.10, *9.10 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon, White River Junction, 7.30, *9.39 a. m.; *12.00, *1.39, (to Franklin only), 5.20, *b8.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.), Claremont and Claremont Junction, 7.30 a. m.; 1.39 p. m.

For Montpelier, Essex Junction, Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal via Central Vermont Line, *9.39 a. m.; *12.00, *8.10 p. m.

For Stations on White Mt. Division, 9.39, *10.39 a. m; 1.39 p. m. (5.20 p. m. to Plymouth); *b9.10 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River, *10.39 a. m.; *1.39, *q9.10 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec via Plymouth and C. P. R., *10.39 a. m.; *b9.10 p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth and Sherbrooke, *10.39 a. m.; *9.10 p. m. (daily except Saturdays.)

References:

a Via Wakefield Junction.
* Express. b Daily.
q Wednesdays and Saturdays only.
w Via Western Division.
x Via Bedford. z Via Wilmington Junc.

D. J. FLANDERS, Gen. Pass. and Ticket Agent.

H. C. TAFT, General Agent, Lowell.

SPECIAL NOTICES

USEFUL PRESENTS—Are what we are giving away with our High Grade Teas and Fresh Roasted Coffees. Order by mail or telephone. Free delivery. Dickson's Tea Store, 65 Merrimack street.

MRS. H. PERKINS a fashionable dressmaker, formerly of Augusta, Me., has opened dressmaking rooms in the Gilbride Bldg., Room 11.

REMOVES moles, wrinkles, freckles and black heads without steam or harming the complexion at the New York Hair Dressing Parlors. 97 Central st., Room 5.

WALL PAPER of good quality and a practical man to hang it, $2 per room, discount for quantities. T. H. Siddeley, 780 Gorham st.

PARK VIEW RESTAURANT, 183 East Merrimack st., just opened. Rooms if required. J. Darch, Prop.

GENTLEMEN'S CLOTHES cleaned and pressed, rates reasonable, special prices to weekly customers. Stanislus Blondin, 225 Cumberland Road.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The Sun is on sale every day at both news-stands of the Union Station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

MONEY TO LOAN

MONEY LOANED salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters and others, without security, easy payments, offices in 50 leading cities. Tolman, room 48, Hildreth Building, 45 Merrimack st.

MONEY LOANED—Our plan of loaning money on salaries is the most liberal to be found anywhere, and is especially appreciated by Teachers, Clerks, Salesmen and Business workers. Easy weekly payments. All transactions confidential. Massachusetts Loan Company, 13 Merrimack Sq., 15 Prescott street, Room 2.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security, boarding houses, teamsters, salaried loans a specialty. Best terms obtainable, liberal discount for prompt payments, commission paid. Merrimack Loan Co., 25 Associate Building.

DON'T BE SHORT—Plenty of money to loan to salaried people, merchants, boarding house keepers, teamsters, etc. Easy weekly payments, lowest rates in the city. Confidential; no publicity; no delay. Special inducements for quick payments. Private office. U. S. Loan Co., 93 Prescott st., room 5, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 5, Swan building, 25 Central street.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, diamonds, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. E. Leinbas, room 9, Barristers' Hall.

TO LET

TO LET—Tenement of 4 rooms $8 per month, 9 Somerset st., off Queen st.

TO LET—Nice sunny tenement of seven rooms, cor. Floyd and Mead sts. Inquire at 16 Floyd st.

TO LET—Tenement of six rooms with bath and pantry in house newly built, 36 Crosby st.

TO LET—2 eight room tenements, 1 16-room tenement. French st., near Bridge, newly painted and papered. W. H. White, Agent, Keys at 91 Bridge st.

TO LET—Tenement of five rooms beside pantry and bath room $8 per month. Apply 277 Hildreth st.

TO LET—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping, with gas and bath. Apply Weston house, 239 Appleton street.

TO LET—No. 9 Westford st. flat of six rooms and bath. G. D. Kimball, 64 Central st.

TO LET—Small store at 162 Dummer st. rent cheap. Inquire in rear.

TO LET—Large, modern house, suitable for boarders and lodgers, in thorough repair; rent low. Henry Miller & Son.

TO LET—House with 20 rooms, bath, furnished with curtains at 512 Central st. in good repair $30 a month. Inquire at 34 Jackson st.

TO LET—Three stores newly fitted, good for any business, in good location. Inquire at 34 Jackson st.

TO LET—Pleasant tenements in Centralville $4.50 per month and upward. T. H. Elliott, 64 Central st.

TO LET—Cottage of seven rooms, bath, hot and cold water. Keys at 20 B st.

TO LET—Convenient locality 10-room house, furnace heat, all improvements, a pleasant street, could let rooms. Apply Charles M. Erskine, room 22, Hildreth Building.

TO LET—Nice tenement of five rooms with toilet. Newly painted and papered. 336 Fletcher st.

TO LET—A finely appointed flat, 339 Liberty st. Everything new, large rooms, open plumbing, steam heat. On line of street cars. Inquire at 241 Liberty st.

TO LET—6 beautiful flats, with bath room and hot and cold water in the New Nolan Block at the junction of Central and Chapel sts. Everything in first class order, for further particulars inquire of John Nolan, 344 Central st.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

FOR SALE—On Rogers street. Belvidere, two story, ten room house with bath and pantry and seven thousand feet of land all fenced in. Smith & Cavanough, Donovan building, Central st.

SITUATIONS WANTED

OLD EXPERIENCED NURSE wants nursing to do. Call at 26 Lawson st.

WANTED—Situation as housekeeper, convalescent nurse, good cook, laundress. Will do entire work, small refined family; neat, orderly, punctual, economical, honest. Inquire 61 Grand st.

WANTED—Situation as cook or housekeeper by capable woman with best of references. Apply at 149 Cross street.

WANTED—A situation by a thoroughly experienced stenographer and bookkeeper. Would make herself generally useful in an office. Good references. Address C. J., Sun Office.

HALL TO LET

A fine hall 30x40, well lighted, with two large ante-rooms, closets, and steam heat. Suitable for lodge meetings or would make an ideal place for a business school. Located on fourth floor at 52 Central street.

INQUIRE AT THE SUN OFFICE.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Cash register, latest style, National, for 4 clerks at 35 Marginal st.

FOR SALE—Cocker spaniels, full pedigree, house broken. 20 West Ninth st.

FOR SALE—A covered pung, side doors, glass front, in first class condition, suitable for baker or milkman. Call at Ruscoe's paint shop, Willie st.

FOR SALE, or to let, blacksmith shop, 609 Aiken Ave., Dracut Centre.

$325 Buys restaurant doing $125 business weekly. Parties leaving town. Apply Gordon's, 219 Central st.

$800 for grocery store, a positive bargain. Illness forces sale. See Gordon, 219 Central st.

FOR SALE—Two cars of good feeding hay at retail for $15 and $16 a ton; also storage to let with use of elevator. Inquire at Charles Dumas' 129 Market st.

FOR SALE—Nice square piano in fine condition for sale cheap. 276 Westford st.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Sleds, sleighs, carriages, farming tools of all kinds of late Perry M. Jefferson. Inquire 428 Rogers st., Caroline A. Jefferson, Admx, or John Thompson, Tewksbury Centre.

MISCELLANEOUS

WHITE SEWING MACHINE CO.—Before buying a machine see our special ball bearing, noiseless, light running, rotary machine, it exceeds all others, second hand machines for sale. 376 Bridge st.

MADAME LENORE, clairvoyant, card reader. Hours 2 p. m. to 10 p. m. at 11 Paige st.

P. COGGER, the truckman sells all kinds of wood at a low price. $1 extra for sawing. 438 Riverside st. Tel. Con.

MRS. CLARA ADAMS, clairvoyant and card reader and ladies' employment office, 35 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

THE WONDERFUL new drink Gloria gives health and youthful vigor. Boyle Bros. Agents. Telephone.

WE HAVE ALL the Fall Blocks of Hats and are prepared to supply the gentlemen of this city. Stiff hats cleaned free at Delorme's, 261 Middlesex st. The practical hatter.

LADIES—Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination used by 200,000 women. Price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

LIMBURG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 1123 Bridge street. Telephone.

LOST AND FOUND

THE PERSON who was seen to pick up a chatelaine bag containing a sum of money in the Five and Ten Cent Store, Saturday, will save further trouble by leaving same at 7 Quimby Ave.

LOST—A brown pocketbook containing sum of money and rings. Finder return to 7 Quimby avenue. Reward.

LOST—A string of coral beads, Friday afternoon. Reward at 161 School st.

LOST—Between city library and Merrimack sq. a lady's gold watch, initials M. A. W. on case and short chain attached. Reward 97 Read street.

LOST—A St. Bernard slut dog, 6 mos. old. Return to 66 Williams st. Reward

THE PERSON seen taking an overcoat from the Associate Bldg. Monday afternoon, Sunlight dance, will kindly return to Associate Bldg. and avoid further trouble.

LOST—A bull terrier dog Thursday, Dec. 22. Finder return same to 12 Gage st. and receive reward.

LOST—An express and parcel delivery order book somewhere on Rogers st. The finder will be rewarded by leaving at The Sun Office.

LOST—A black wrist bag containing pocketbook, bills and change, also tickets for Highland club hall. Return to Room 5 Glidden building.

LOST—A pocketbook yesterday some where between Mercier Hotel Lakeview or at Willow Dale entrance. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at Sun Office

HELP WANTED

WANTED—Circulars and sample distributors wanted everywhere. No canvassing. Good pay. Co-Operative Adv. Co., N. Y.

WANTED—Responsible man to manage an office and distributing depot for large manufacturing concern. Salary $1,500 per annum and commissions. Applicant must have good references and $1,000. Capital secure. Address Supt. 323, West 12th street, Chicago.

WANTED—Man or woman for position where education is not such importance as willingness to work, permanent; $10 weekly guaranteed. Address stating age and where can be interviewed, P. E. C., care of The Sun.

WANTED—Barber wanted at once, 8 Lakeview Ave.

WANTED—Chamber girl wanted at 175 Middlesex st.

WANTED—A kitchen girl. Apply at once. 28 Robeson st.

WANTED—An experienced protestant second girl. Mrs. Dalch's Employment Office, 434 Westford st.

COOK WANTED at Quincy House, 58 Lee st. Apply at once.

ANY INTELLIGENT PERSON may earn $50 to $100 monthly corresponding for newspapers; $3 a column for work in spare time. No canvassing. Send for particulars. Northern Press Syndicate, Lockport, N. Y.

We solicit applications from entire families who desire employment in a manufacturing establishment out of town. State number in family, ages, sex, and the different classes of work accustomed to in past. Address A. A., Sun Office.

BUSINESS CHANCES

I HAVE A FEW hundred dollars to invest in a paying business where services are required for a fair salary. State nature of business. Address B., Sun Office.

WANTED

WANTED—Stable manure in large or small lots. Telephone or drop postal to H. W. Foster, R. D., No. 1.

WANTED—Children to board in country, desirable home; terms reasonable. Address Nelson, R. F. D., Billerica Centre.

WANTED—Men who are ruptured to know that an expert in fitting trusses and supporters will fit a limited number of guaranteed trusses for 75c during this week at Frye & Crawford's drug store, 396 Merrimack street.

WANTED—To buy hard wood or slab on lot in the country. H. I. Willard, 28 Concord st.

OVER THE VETO

City Council Passed the Salary Order

But Sustained the Veto of the Street Lighting Order—$36,000 Appropriation Finally Passed—Closing Meetings of the Year

Hon. Charles E. Howe sent his last official documents to the city council of 1904 last evening in the shape of two somewhat spirited veto messages in relation to the report of the salary committee in which the salaries of some of the city officials were increased and the report of the committee on street lighting recommending several new street lights that called for an annual expenditure of several thousand dollars.

Both branches passed the salary order over the mayor's veto almost unanimously, the vote being 5 to 1 in the upper branch and 18 to 1 in the lower. Alderman Hill and Councilman Peterson voted to sustain the mayor.

On the veto of the street light order, however, the board voted to sustain the mayor by a vote of 4 to 2.

Nearly all the members of both branches of the incoming government were present, and drew seats, while the corridors were filled with candidates and politicians of high and low degree who were deeply interested in proceedings.

The common council passed the $36,000 appropriation in concurrence, and when business was finished held the usual mock session.

MAYOR HOWE'S VETOES.

The veto messages were as follows:

Gentlemen:—I have returned this day to the city clerk a joint order presented for approval December 29, entitled "Order establishing the salaries of officers of the city of Lowell for the year 1905." I have approved the sections of the order except sections 24, 26 and 30, which increase the salaries of the chief of the fire department, the registrars of voters and the inspector of wires. I withhold my approval from those sections.

I do not believe the city financially is in a condition which warrants an increase of salary to officers who, in the opinion of unbiased judges, are already receiving fair compensation, and I am of the opinion that the proposed increases are not only unjust to the city, but unfair to other worthy city officers whose claims for more pay, if made, should as readily receive favorable consideration.

Why select for an increase the chief of the fire department whose salary already is $2000, and neglect the superintendent of public buildings who receives but $1800? Why raise to $1600 the salary of the inspector of wires, a new office for which the city also now furnishes a clerk and a horse and carriage, and let the pay of the city auditor remain at $1800, while the business of the latter's office has practically doubled since the salary has been changed? If salaries must be raised, raise them all around or let the present apportionment remain undisturbed.

The registrars of voters have no higher responsibilities than before; an increase of routine work has fallen to them, which, I am informed, is left mainly to clerical help. It is not a surety that the extra labor entailed by the adoption of the Luce law will be permanent. I should have been glad to approve the moderate increase for the registrars at first proposed by the committee on salaries, namely $100 for the chairman and $50 for the others; but I deem the increase of $250 for the chairman and $200 for the others, decidedly too much, raising as it does former salaries of $550 to $800 and $750, an advance of nearly 40 per cent. Eight years ago, an increase of $50 each was granted to the registrars as compensation for the additional work caused by the law which put upon them the responsibility of recounting. On the average one week's extra work should cover all probable recounts. Only one city in the state pays its registrars as much as $850. In all the others the rate is lower. Gentlemen, it is a poor time to raise city salaries when the tax rate is high, when the city yearly borrows money to pay current expenses, and when the wage-rate in the principal industries is stagnant. The tax payers of the city of Lowell are carrying about all the burden they can. I assure you that the comments that have come to me during the short time this order has been before me for approval are not favorable to this course, which, carried to its logical result, means an increase of salaries all along the line.

I return herewith unapproved an order directing the superintendent of lighting to locate street lights in various places. The order calls for one new gasolene light, 15 new gas lights and 12 new electric lights, entailing an additional yearly expense of about $2000. This is an increase in lights far beyond any yearly addition of late and seems to me to be going too fast. Already the annual expense for lighting is over $100,000, and our city as it stands is one of the best lighted cities in the country, although it still clings to the old style of the "moonlight schedule" so far as concerns the gas and gasolene lights. It appears to me injudicious for this government just going out of office to saddle this expense upon the incoming government. I have no doubt that among the 35 new lights there are some which public convenience decently can demand, but in the limited time which remains for me to consider this matter it is impossible for me to select them, so I return the order as a whole, hoping, if my views are sustained, that the government of 1905 will provide those which appear to be absolutely necessary.

CHARLES E. HOWE, Mayor.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The upper branch did not get together until 9.50 o'clock, when six members were found present. The absentees were Aldermen Carmichael, Gerow and Taylor.

The mayor's vetoes were taken up first and the salary order was passed over the veto by a vote of 5 to 1, Alderman Fairweather, Grant, Gallagher, Miskella and Wilson in favor, Alderman Hill against. The second veto was sustained, Aldermen Fairweather, Grant, Hill and Wilson voting to sustain while Aldermen Gallagher and Miskella voted for the order.

The following communication from Supt. O'Connor of the public buildings department was read:

I wish to call your attention to the fact that Rostler Bros., to whom a permit to make additions to and alterations in building at the corner of Middlesex and McIntyre streets was given by your board on Nov. 12, have violated the conditions of your permit by entirely removing the old structure and building of wood. As this location is within the fire district, sec. 13 of chap. 5 of the city ordinances is being violated. I have notified Rostler Bros. to discontinue work on building and have also notified the superintendent of police in accordance with sec. 3, chap. 5.

The communication was referred to the city solicitor, and the board took a recess.

After recess some minor business was transacted and the $70,000 loan order for a new schoolhouse in Ennell street was referred to next year's government in concurrence. The pending papers were referred to next year's city council and then the business of the year was finished.

At 10.10 Alderman Wilson spoke the valedictory of the board, making a neat speech in which he referred to the pleasant relations that have existed throughout the year. He thanked the mayor, city clerk, messenger and the press for their co-operation and paid a particular compliment to Chairman Miskella. The latter replied with graceful remarks and at 10.15 the motion to adjourn sine die was put and carried.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Before the common council came together at 9.15 the new members present drew seats for the ensuing year as follows:

Allard 25, Baldwin 15, Blake 4, Carr 5, Cheney 6, Clough 23, Cronin 2, Crosby 18, J. A. Daly 24, J. W. Daly 20, Dodge 14, D. J. Donohue 10, John Donohue 3, Fleming 11, Hayes 21, Leach 7, Mahoney 22, Marcotte 19, Mayberry 9, McAloon 16, McIntyre 1, McMahon 8, Morse 12, Reed 27, Shea 17, White 26.

The drawing was followed by considerable swapping of seats.

There were 14 members present when Councilman Welsh called to order. The joint order transferring $450 from labor to sundries for the park commission was adopted.

When nine members arrived, giving the body a two-thirds vote, the $36,000 appropriation order was passed in concurrence.

When the mayor's vetoes were sent down, Councilman Welsh called Councilman Cheney to the chair and took the floor in favor of the orders. Councilman Cheney presided gracefully and with dignity.

When Councilman Welsh had expressed himself the roll was called and 18 voted for the order while Councilman Peterson alone voted to sustain the mayor.

Councilman Hayes then called for the order recommending $2 per day for street department employes and was ruled out of order.

The council then adjourned but came together again in annual mock session with Councilman Peterson in the chair. The usual pleasantries were exchanged the final adjournment coming at ten o'clock.

NORTH CHELMSFORD

Squad 1, Troop F Cavalry, held a delightful dance in the Town Hall, last evening. The Middlesex orchestra furnished music and Sergt. Quigley directed the dance.

Highest Praise

Some Lowell Citizens Grow Enthusiastic on the Subject

The praise of the public
Is merit's just reward.
Nothing in modern times
Has received the praise accorded
"The Little Conqueror."

Of some kinds of praise we are skeptical.

We doubt the praise of strangers.

The highest praise for Lowell public
Is hearty expression from Lowell people.

Doan's Kidney Pills are indorsed in Lowell.

No better proof of merit can be had.

Here's a case of it. We have plenty more like it.

Mrs. Frank Mansur, of 83 Fifth street, Lowell, says: "Mr. Mansur had kidney trouble for a great while. He declared, used plasters and various remedies but derived no permanent help. An advertisement in our daily paper led him to go to Ellingwood & Co.'s drug store and get Doan's Kidney Pills. Their use not only quickly relieved the pains in his back but corrected the secretions of the kidneys which had been excessive for a long time."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50c. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

BROKER SET FREE

HE WAS CHARGED WITH FRAUD IN STOCK DEAL.

WORCESTER, Dec. 31.—Charles M. Hatcher of Brookline was in court yesterday for the fourth time on a charge alleging larceny of $4700 from Dr. George P. Penniman, a member of the state veterinary board. He was discharged.

Hatcher was arrested last July on complaint of Bert H. Prior of Worcester. It was alleged that he was a broker and, through Prior as middleman, had sold to Dr. Penniman $4700 worth of shares in the Franklin Oil Refining company and the Norwegian Mining company, which, the complaint charged, was sold under false pretenses and was not intrinsically worth the price paid for it.

In July Hatcher's case was continued until Sept. 27 and Hatcher was released in $10,000 bail, furnished by Gardner Perry of Brookline. In September the case was again continued until Oct. 24, when he was again continued until yesterday.

Charles W. Bartlett and Julian Codman of Boston appeared for Hatcher. Whipple, Sears & Ogden of Boston appeared for the government. Atty. Bartlett stated that a civil suit had been entered against Hatcher, that the government had got a bill in equity enjoining Perry from releasing any of the securities given to him by Hatcher after he had furnished bail for Hatcher, and it was contended by Mr. Bartlett that if the court should try the case and hold Hatcher, it would influence the civil court in its decision in the civil suit. Therefore he asked for either a continuance or his client's discharge.

The government counsel contended that more Worcester people than Dr. Penniman were interested in the case and that the action of the court in the criminal case would not influence the decision in the civil court. They asked that Hatcher be held.

TRIED SUICIDE

BOSTON GIRL THOUGHT OFFICERS WERE AFTER HER.

PITTSFIELD, Dec. 31.—A posse of deputy sheriffs went to Sandisfield yesterday morning to arrest Charles Cronk, a young farmer, on the charge of being a common drunkard. It had been given out that Cronk was armed and would put up a fight and Deputy Sheriff Bidwell of Monterey took along Deputy Sheriffs Arthur Fuller and Jasper Bills.

When the posse arrived at Cronk's house Miss Nettie Whitbeck of Boston who has been living at the farm house, ran from the kitchen to a pantry and drank the contents of a bottle of digitalis. She believed that the officers were after her.

A short time ago Mrs. Cronk attempted to commit suicide after a domestic trouble. It was said that she objected to the presence of the Whitbeck woman in the house and of Cronk's apparent preference for the Boston woman. For several days Mrs. Cronk's life hung in the balance, but she recovered. Cronk was in court at the time charged with drunkenness and paid a fine. Lately he has been drinking again, and the officers determined to break up a state of affairs which was too flagrant even for the farming district.

Following Miss Whitbeck's attempt at suicide, Cronk surrendered to the officers. He had hidden in one of the bedrooms. When searched a revolver of large caliber was taken from him. When arraigned in court Judge Sanford sentenced Cronk to the state reformatory in Concord.

Cronk is but 28 years old and his wife is 19. Miss Whitbeck is about the same age as Mrs. Cronk. Her father is a sailor and her mother lives in Boston.

FOUND HIM GUILTY

BUT LAWRENCE ALDERMEN DID NOT PUNISH POLICE OFFICER.

LAWRENCE, Dec. 31.—The mayor and aldermen gave a hearing yesterday afternoon on the charges preferred by City Marshal O'Sullivan against Patrolman Arthur W. French of having neglected his duty. The charges specified that Dec. 24 the patrolman was 27 minutes late in ringing in his duty call in one instance, and failed to ring in at all the next hour that he was supposed to do so.

The charges concluded with the opinion that the patrolman frequented saloons during the forenoon instead of going home after completing his tour of duty. Lawyer John J. Donovan appeared for Patrolman French.

Sergt. Thomas F. McCarthy testified to his attention being called to the lateness of French's signal in one instance and his failure to report at all subsequently. Asked the patrolman about it and he admitted that he had gone to sleep in a schoolhouse. A number of times before during the year there had been occasion to criticize French about his duty calls, witness said.

Capt. J. J. Sullivan said that he had warned French about his not being punctual in reporting from boxes, and had twice previously reported him to the city marshal.

Inspector Flynn said that a week ago last Sunday he had seen French in a hotel with food and drink before him. This was in the forenoon, when French was not on duty. Had seen him enter saloons.

In his own behalf French said that on the night of Dec. 24 he had been troubled with rheumatism in his feet and had gone into a schoolhouse and warmed up at a radiator. While there he had fallen asleep.

The board voted unanimously that the charge of being asleep while on duty had been sustained, but that the charge of frequenting saloons had not. Mayor Lynch then removed the patrolman from the force, but the board by a vote of 5 to 1 refused to approve of this action. Alderman Scanlon was the member to vote to sustain the mayor.

Mayor Lynch notified the city marshal that the patrolman was still under suspension, and the hearing ended.

L. M. T. SOCIAL CLUB.

The first meeting of the L. M. T. social club was held Thursday night at the home of Mr. Harry Hatch, on Royal street. A fine literary program was carried out during the evening.

Mr. Harry Hatch assisted by Thomas Dowd, sang some popular songs, while Mr. John J. Brunette sang "Tuck How I Envy You". A reading from "Quo Vadis" was given by Mr. M. H. Hoar. Mr. Walter McCort and Dustin M. Hamblett gave selections on the piano after which the following officers were elected to make arrangements for the coming social which will be held in February:

President, M. H. Hoar; vice president, Harry Hatch; treasurer, Dustin M. Hamblett; secretary, Walter McCort. The party broke up at midnight and will meet again Sunday afternoon at the New American hotel.

VARIOUS REFORMS

To be Favored by Governor Douglas

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Mayor Collins and ex-Mayor Matthews yesterday had a conference with Governor-elect William L. Douglas regarding the inaugural address and were with him for more than an hour reading the message.

The points of the message upon which Collins and Matthews agreed with Governor-elect Douglas were these, and they are to be a part of the inaugural address:

1—Home rule for all cities and towns.

2—Abolition of the Boston Police Board as it is now constituted.

3—Abolishment of unuseful commissions.

4—A thorough investigation of the finances of the state and a change in the methods of bookkeeping.

5—More strict enforcement of the laws as regards employment of women and children.

6—A complete reorganization of the affairs of the state institutions.

7—To give Boston a greater opportunity to name the men who are conducting the affairs of the metropolitan district.

8—More liberal laws as regards workingmen.

9—Abolition of such commissions as are incompatible with the public service.

10—Reciprocity with Canada and the suggestion that the legislature urge congress to do something on that line with a view of asking for an unpaid board to be named, which may ascertain the necessities of the state.

11—Compulsory arbitration and a revision of the law so that strikes and lockouts shall not continue.

12—Reorganization of the state militia so as to conform with the laws of the United States.

13—Control of public lighting with a view of municipal ownership. This affects gas, electric lights and water supplies.

14—Greater enforcement of the present factory laws and a suggestion that women and children be exempted in all cases.

This is the time to buy coal. See Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

WANTS $15,000

TO CARRY ON THE DODGE CASE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—That Dist.-Atty. Jerome has by no means concluded his investigations in the Dodge-Morse divorce tangle was made evident yesterday when application was made on his behalf to the board of estimate and apportionment for an additional $15,000 to defray necessary expenses. In addition to this amount, about $22,000 has been expended by the authorities on the case and it is believed that as much or more has been spent by others in the case. Mr. Jerome declined to explain to what purpose he expects to devote the additional appropriation.

None of those concerned in the case would break the silence yesterday which they have maintained since Dodge's arrival in New York a week ago. Dodge himself did not leave his hotel. He was in better condition than he has been at any time since his return, but apparently he was not in such shape that Mr. Jerome wishes to accept a sworn statement from him. There is no indication that he will not remain under guard at the hotel for a considerable time, certainly until the grand jury meets next Tuesday.

DRAGGED IN FETTERS

MOB WANTED TO LYNCH JOHN HUTCHINGS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31—Hurried by a crowd of citizens inflamed to the point of lynching if only leaders had taken the initiative, John Hutchings, self-confessed perpetrator of a brutal crime, was dragged in fetters through the streets of Port Chester yesterday and placed by officers on an outbound train to prevent his falling into the hands of his pursuers.

He was captured at 8.45 a. m. after posses had spent the night searching Port Chester and the surrounding country for him. While the lynching was being planned, a beautiful child of 7 lay dying on a cot in the Ladies' hospital on Smith street. She is Julia, the daughter of Daniel Scofield, a highly respected resident of East Port Chester, Conn.

Hutchings is a relative of the Scofields and at intervals made his home with them. He assaulted the child in a freight car, carried her home in a dying condition and made his escape.

An uncle of the child captured the man.

MAY BE LYNCHING

NEGRO ATTEMPTED TO ASSAULT TWO YOUNG WOMEN.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Threats of lynching are being made by citizens of Alexandria county, just across the Potomac river from here, if the negro who attempted to assault two young women there Thursday night is caught.

The young women, Miss Esther Peverill and Miss Beulah Ebaugh, are daughters of two of the most prominent citizens of the county. They were returning from the junction of the Washington, Alexandria & Mt. Vernon electric road at Arlington cemetery.

The young women had to pass several brick yards. As they reached the path through a meadow leading to the home of Miss Ebaugh a negro, apparently about 22 years old, 6 feet in height and very black stepped out in the path and made a grab for Miss Ebaugh. He struck her on the head, but she escaped.

The negro caught Miss Peverill, who was so frightened she made no attempt to get away. Miss Peverill fought the negro while her companion, Miss Ebaugh, ran home and notified her father and brothers.

They hurried to the path and found Miss Peverill unconscious. The negro had been scared away by their approach. A posse was organized, and citizens from all parts of the county joined in the hunt, which lasted all of Thursday night and yesterday.

REV. THOMAS TOBIN

WELL KNOWN ROCKPORT PRIEST IS DEAD.

ROCKPORT, Dec. 31—Rev. Thomas Tobin, until recently pastor of St. Joachim's of this town, died yesterday morning.

He was born in 1855 in county Waterford, Ire. At 12 he entered Mt. Melory college. The faculty of this well-known institution of learning, perceiving that the boy was of unusual mental endowment, advised him to study for the priesthood. He, however, came to this country a short time afterward with his family, and settled at Salem. The late Rev. William H. Holley, Fr. Tobin's uncle was then pastor of the church of the Immaculate Conception.

Young Tobin was sent to St. Charles' college, Baltimore, to finish his college course. After four years' study there he entered the grand seminary at Montreal and was ordained a priest in 1881. His first appointment was to St. Peter and Paul's parish, South Boston, then to the Immaculate Conception, Salem, and after his uncle's death he was appointed pastor of the Rockport and Lanesville parishes.

NEXT WEEK AT THE CASTO.

America's favorite character comedian, Edward Harrigan, heads the program at the Casto Theatre, next week, and will present his latest comedy success entitled "The Simple Life" for the first three days of the week, and for the first three days commencing Thursday he will present the great laughmaker "Darcy McGlone, Author." In these comedies Mr. Harrigan is seen at his best and it affords ample scope for the display of his varied talents. He is supported by an excellent company and so great is his popularity in New York that it was only by the offer of an almost fabulous salary that Manager Haynes secured him for the Casto circuit. The Zarrow Trio will present their great spectacular novelty entitled "A Night on the Board Walk," which is very funny and full of sensational surprises. The Loveland Family will present their great musical act direct from the World's Fair. This will be their only appearance in vaudeville. Dixon and Holmes, the singing comedians, will present their original specialty, including impersonations of the light house scene in "Shore Acres," and of J. K. Emmett and other noted artists. Harry La Marr, the late star of "Widow Bedott" and "The County Fair," will offer his comedy act; the Gagnoux will present their refined and wonderful equilibristic act; Brady and Lake are two of the best singing and talking comedians in vaudeville; and Elizabeth Estelle is a petite and dainty singing comedienne with an excellent repertoire. Reserved seats can be ordered by telephone 815-3.

AT THE CASTO TOMORROW.

The usual Y. M. C. A. men's meeting will be held in the Casto theatre tomorrow at 3.30 o'clock. The address will be given by Rev. C. L. Pierce and his subject, "? ? ?" is one that the men of our city should hear. The University male quartet of Boston, composed of Leon E. Baldwin, first tenor; Joseph A. Finley, second tenor; Webster A. Chandler, baritone; Fred H. Lawton, bass, which won so much praise for its artistic singing some six weeks ago, has been engaged. The Lynn Item, speaking of the quartet says: "The artists captivated the audience by the manner in which they rendered their selections". "Come Unto Me," Myers; "Adoration", Leslie, and "Rock of Ages," with tenor obligato by Mr. Baldwin, will be among tomorrow's selections. Admission free.

BRIBED ALDERMEN

Charge Made Against the Gas Trust

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Alderman-elect Frank J. Linehan, at the meeting of the central gas committee, composed of representatives of various civic organizations, and held at the Parker house, last night, said: "One thousand dollars had been offered four members of the board of aldermen to vote against the passage of the acts for the establishment of a municipal gas plant for the purpose of heating, lighting and power for the inhabitants of the city of Boston."

Mr. Linehan said: "Certain men had met not 100 yards from the Parker house," but he refused to divulge the names of the men who had been approached with the offer.

Mr. Linehan also stated that he "stood ready to prove this assertion at any time."

CAUSED CORRUPTION.

"The gas situation has caused more corruption than anything else," Mr. Linehan asserted. He also stated that "it was a notorious fact that $30,000 had been paid to prominent legislators in the past."

Mr. Vincent of the Harvard Improvement association said that the only release from the present oppressive conditions was municipal ownership of gas companies.

Mr. V. A. McBarrett of the Charlestown Improvement association said that the "present quality of gas was good enough, but there should be legislation to enforce a standard amount of pressure. If the pressure of gas is doubled the increase in consumption is one-half as much again."

SHOT FOUR MEN

KRONER SAYS THAT THEY ANNOYED HIM.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Four men were last night shot and slightly injured in a fight at Indiana Harbor, 25 miles from this city. The shooting was done by Frederick Kroner, an employe of the American Steel and Wire company, the injured being his fellow workers.

Kroner, who is an expert workman, has been of late doing extra work and his fellow workmen demanded that he perform no more than the rest of them. He refused to do as they wished and last night when a number of the employes were standing on the depot platform in Indiana Harbor, some of them attacked Kroner, who drew a revolver and began to shoot. Jaeger and M. Willets were slightly wounded in the leg and two other men whose names are not known sustained trifling injuries. Kroner was arrested.

FOUND IN CHARLES RIVER.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 31.—The body of George W. Nichols, 65 years of age, of Woburn, was found in the Charles river last night. Nichols conducted a jewelry business in Reading, and had been missing since Nov. 4. The body had been in the water a long time, but there was no indication of foul play. Nichols was a veteran of the Civil war. He leaves a wife and married daughter.

HOSTETTER'S CELEBRATED STOMACH BITTERS

Hostetter's Illustrated Almanac for 1905 is now at your drug store for free distribution. It contains much instructive reading, statistics, jokes, etc. Get a copy today, also try the Bitters for Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Biliousness or Constipation. It always cures.

TO GET HOLD OF MONEY

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and if they are only soiled or faded you can have them Dyed, Cleansed, Pressed and made to look almost as good as new at a very small expense and we can do a nice job on gloves, feathers, ribbons, silks or satin, as well as almost any kind of ladies or gents wearing apparel at

BAY STATE DYE WORKS

54 PRESCOTT STREET.

P. S.—The old proverb says, that a dollar saved is a dollar earned.

AN ARREST MADE

HOTEL KEEPER CHARGED WITH SHOOTING O'BRIEN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31—Charged with the shooting of William O'Brien on the Bowery early Thursday, William K. Smith, proprietor of a Raines law hotel, was arrested here last night on a warrant secured by District Attorney Jerome on the strength of a statement made to him by Cornelius J. Donlon, who said he saw the shot fired.

O'Brien is a homeless waiter who gave important testimony at the trial which resulted in the conviction of Patrolman Arthur Mallon for the shooting of Robert Brennan last May. Yesterday morning he was found almost on the spot where Brennan was shot, with a bullet in the abdomen. He is now in a hospital and it is thought he will die. Smith was taken before him last night but O'Brien refused to make any statement.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Manager Richard F. Murphy has secured a splendid concert for the patrons of the Academy of Music for Sunday night, Jan. 1, the concert to be for the benefit of the Ladies' Aid society of St. Patrick's church. In reality it is a New Year's gift, it being one of the best sacred concerts ever presented by the management. The main feature of the program is the moving picture show and those who have attended the different Sunday night concerts know their real worth. Every picture will be new and among the most prominent will be "A Trip to Italy", "The Barber's Revenge", "Damnation of Faust," "Stage Struck," "Child Fire Drill" and a host of other pictures. Mr. Edward F. Shea, Lowell's popular singer, will be heard in the newest and latest popular songs and many other features will be introduced. The ladies' orchestra will also be in attendance and on the whole the program will be one which will be well worth the price of admission. The prices for the afternoon will 10 and 20 cents, while the prices for the evening will be 10, 20 and 30 cents.

Vermont Man'f'g Co.'s Butterine.

Churns the finest quality of Butterine in the world, is in business again, their Butterine is way ahead of Western goods, fresh, sweet, tastes like fresh made June butter, 12 to 15c lb. Western Butterine 10 to 12c lb. Teas, best in Lowell at half price. Try our Irish tea. FLYNN'S MARKET, 137 Gorham st., Lowell, Mass.

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We the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50-cent bottle of Greene's Warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25c bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded.

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George H. Miller

The caterer and confectioner has removed from 427 Bridge street to 122 Humphrey st where he will be pleased to receive orders for catering for large and small parties, also confectionery and ice cream at wholesale. All orders by mail will receive prompt attention.

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So many people who have apparently recovered from an attack of *La Grippe* are stricken with *Pneumonia*. This is due to the fact that the Bronchial Tubes and Lungs are left weakened and unable to resist disease.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR

not only cures *La Grippe Coughs*, and prevents *Pneumonia*, but strengthens the Lungs so they will not be susceptible to the development of serious lung troubles. Do not take chances with some unknown preparation that may contain some harmful drug when FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR costs you no more and is safe and sure. Contains no opiates.

I had a bad case of La Grippe about ten years ago which left my Lungs so weak that I have been troubled more or less every winter since until I used FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR, which cured me completely and my Lungs no longer trouble me.—J. H. BROWNING, D.D.S., Orrick, Mo.

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Three sizes—25c, 50c, $1.00. The 50-cent size contains two and one half times as much as the small size and the $1.00 bottle almost six times as much. Refuse Substitutes.

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Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 1, 1904.

JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell, and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE-THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

The board of education of New York has decided not to have corporal punishment in the schools. If the teachers can control the pupils without corporal punishment so much the better; but if the absence of corporal punishment means disorder and lack of progress so much the worse.

THE CROPS OF THE COUNTRY.

Statistics show some wonderful things, to wit the following from the Indianapolis News: -

"If the 1904 crops were equally divided, every man, woman and child in the United States would receive one barrel of flour, 200 eggs, 140 quarts of milk, more than half of which goes into butter; one bushel of apples and two and a half bushels of other fruits and berries, three bushels of potatoes and two bushels of carrots, beets, parsnips and turnips;; eleven head of cabbages and half as much lettuce, cucumbers and cauliflower;; twenty-eight bushels of corn, usually in the shape of beef, pork and poultry, besides 70 pounds of cotton, six pounds of wool for clothes and enough leather for two pairs of shoes."

If the statisticians would take out the share that is claimed by the trusts, the share that would fall to each individual afterwards would be astonishingly small.

THE PASSAGE OF THE SALARY GRAB.

The reckless passage of the salary grab resolution over the mayor's veto at last night's meeting of the city council should bring about a change in the rules regulating the fixing of salaries.

If the city council had any regard for the interests of the city the mayor's veto of both measures would have been sustained last night and if either were to be adopted that for additional street lights should certainly take precedence over the salary grab.

But the contrary was the case. The salary grab was passed over the veto while the veto of the other resolution was sustained.

It is needless to comment at length upon the injustice of this action. The mayor stated the case very clearly in his veto message.

But what care the councilmen or aldermen going out of office about the merits of the question or the interests of the city?

It is the wrong time to bring up such a matter when a large proportion of the members of both boards are smarting under defeat or are preparing to retire to private life. The time to fix the salary list is on inauguration day when the members are new in office and before they have forgotten that they are bound by a solemn oath to safeguard the interests of the city. This rule should be changed as soon as possible. The committee on appropriations might well have something to say on the matter of salaries. Something must be done to safeguard the city against such raids upon the treasury as that which was railroaded through the city council last night.

THE PUBLICATION OF LEGAL CITATIONS.

An important bill passed by the house of representatives this year but killed by the senate is to come up next year when the friends of the measure will do their utmost to have it enacted.

The provisions of the bill are intended to overcome the injustice that frequently arises by entering legal proceedings and carrying them through without due notice to the other parties concerned.

Take for example the foreclosure of a mortgage. A legal citation to the mortgagor must be published, but unless it be published in the city or town in which the maker of the mortgagee resides and in a leading paper the interested person may not know anything about the proceedings until his property is wrested from him. The same injustice is possible in divorce cases when one of the parties wants to gain a point on the other. An obscure paper is sought for the publication of the libel and the libelee may not see or hear of the citation until the divorce has been granted. These are but two of many instances that might be cited to show the necessity of publishing all such legal citations in a leading paper published in the city or town of the person or estate interested. We say "a leading paper" advisedly as there are certain papers in which the publication would be absolutely useless.

Here in Lowell it has been customary with some lawyers to publish such notices in the papers that had the smallest circulation. Consequently an obscure paper devoted to farming was generally selected and thus the parties interested never read it. Consequently the publication was practically worthless and did not, therefore, carry out the intent of the law.

The bill to be presented to the legislature during the coming year should be amended so as to make it compulsory to have such citations published in leading papers. By "leading" in this connection we mean papers of average circulation where published, the sheets that are recognized as an effective means of reaching the public.

Unless the measure be amended on this particular point, it might as well not be passed at all for there will always be papers in which such citations can be published without the slightest chance of ever meeting the eye of the parties interested. Who would think a paper of from 200 to 500 circulation a proper medium of publicity in a city of 100,000 population?

MAYOR HOWE'S ADMINISTRATION.

In justice to His Honor, Mayor Howe, in closing his two years as chief executive of our city, it can be truly said that he has been one of the best mayors we have ever had. While we differed with him in politics and on some of his official acts, yet we must say that he stood firmly throughout his incumbency for what he conceived to be the best interests of the city.

Early in his incumbency, he adopted the policy of keeping down current expenses and discountenancing the vicious practice of borrowing. In pursuance of this policy he vetoed many measures which a less economic policy would have readily approved; but the result on the whole has been beneficial to the city at large.

It may be remembered that when he entered office there were a great many schemes on foot such as the establishment of a city stone and woodyard, large macadam and smooth-paving projects, public baths, new bridges, and various others which would draw largely from the city treasury. But they were all blocked and silenced by the mayor's economic policy. He realized that with the highest tax-rate in the city's history the taxpayers should be protected against any increase in their burdens.

The effect of that policy was to put a quietus upon grafting projects as the members of the city council to a great extent concurred with the mayor in his economic policy and thus the promoters of raids on the treasury were completely blocked. Apart from this Mayor Howe has always been the mayor of the whole people, always ready to do what he could for the public weal, a fact which was instanced on many occasions but notably in the coal famine and during the textile strike. Mayor Howe retires to private life with the friendship and good will of the people at large and with as few enemies as it is possible for any mayor to have who has the courage of his convictions in guarding the interests of the city.

The economic policy constantly pursued by Mayor Howe will, we hope, be continued by his successor. The people want it; they want the tax-rate still further reduced and to secure that object it is necessary to keep the grafters at bay, to cut down current expenses and stop borrowing so far as that is compatible with the best interests of the city.

SEEN AND HEARD

The boy who was refused permission to go skating yesterday either went or sulked about home all day.

Although the green still hangs to the door and decorates the walls and ceilings the spirit of the Christmas season has sped on the wings of time.

The toy novelties that found their way into the market for Christmas sale, this year, were greater than ever before in the history of man, at least that is what the biggest toy dealer in Boston said.

Despite the fact that the streets were fairly well sanded yesterday many hard and ungraceful falls were registered. About 2 o'clock in the afternoon an elderly gentleman fell in Prescott street. A young man, three sheets in the wind, went to the rescue. In an attempt to pick the old gentleman up he fell himself. The old gentleman, believing that one good turn deserved another, attempted to pull the young man to his feet and fell in the attempt.

"Guess you've been drinking too," said the young man as he reached out his hand to give the old gentleman another lift.

"Hands off, young man," said the old gentleman. "I would not accept the assistance of a man who would accuse me of having tasted liquor." Despite his protestations, however, the young man helped him to his feet and went his way, smiling.

"Nice young fellow, too bad he drinks," muttered the old gentleman as he brushed the snow and dirt from his clothing.

The man who abandoned himself to the cheer of the good feeling that prevailed at Christmas is now preparing his good resolutions for the New Year; the charming sweetheart is rich in the token sent her by her "best fellow"; the mother, poor soul, is glad that it is all over; the small boy has sent his toys, the most expensive of them, at least, to the junk shop, and the penny post looks as crisp as a dollar bill that was never spent.

A man in the Highlands is about to bring a suit against a neighbor that will be novel in the extreme. Man number one had a valuable dog—valuable because he had a screw tail. Man number two had a mongrel, a good-for-nothing, long-haired "perp" that sunned himself on the sidewalk, looking daggers at everybody and everything that passed, and stole his noon day meal from swill buckets. The dog with the screw tail objected to the mongrel blocking the sidewalk and attempted to walk over the fellow with the long hair. A scrap ensued with the result that the mongrel relieved the "well bred" of his screw tail. The owner of the screw tail will sue for the price he had set upon his dog, on the grounds that the screw tail represented the breeding and worth of said dog. Unless a settlement is reached the case will be heard next week.

IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 31.—In the United States circuit court yesterday, Judge Frawley filed an opinion and order declaring unconstitutional the law recently passed by the South Carolina legislature prohibiting the shipment or transportation of shad beyond the limits of the state. A test case has been made, the complainants proffering fish for shipment to the Southern Express company and on the refusal of the latter to handle the suit was brought. In his opinion, Judge Frawley said the law did not confine its mandates to fish caught in South Carolina waters, and was, therefore, in opposition to the interstate commerce clause of the constitution.

FATALLY BURNED.

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 31.—Rosie Nadeau, aged seven years, was fatally burned yesterday while playing with matches at her home near this city. She died a few hours later.

VICTORY AGAIN

Lowell Took Game From Newburyport

NEWBURYPORT, Dec. 31.—Newburyport received its first defeat at basketball in the local court last night, Lowell winning a fast and clean game, 24 to 17. The visitors put up a star passing exhibition, and but for poor goal throwing would have made a much larger score. Newburyport's playing at times was ragged, especially at throwing goals.

LOWELL—24	17—NEWBURYPORT
Leighton rf	lb Healey
Mathews lf	rb H. Sheridan, Regan
L. Enos c	c W. Sheridan
Enos rb	lf Punch
Allard lb	rf Hayes

FIRST PERIOD.

Won by	Scored by	Score
Lowell	Leighton	2—0
Lowell	Enos	4—0
Newburyport	Hayes	4—2
Newburyport	Third foul	4—3
Newburyport	Healey	4—5

SECOND PERIOD.

Newburyport	Hayes	4—7
Newburyport	H. Sheridan	4—9
Newburyport	Hayes	4—11
Lowell	Leighton	6—11
Lowell	Enos	8—11
Newburyport	Third foul	8—12
Lowell	Mathews	10—12
Lowell	Mathews	12—12
Lowell	Leighton	14—12
Lowell	Leighton	16—12

THIRD PERIOD.

Newburyport	H. Sheridan	16—14
Lowell	Third foul	17—14
Newburyport	Third foul	17—16
Lowell	Mathews	19—16
Lowell	Enos	21—15
Newburyport	W. Sheridan	21—17
Lowell	Third foul	22—17
Lowell	Enos	24—17

Score, Lowell 24, Newburyport 17. Goals, Leighton 4, Enos 4, Mathews 3, Hayes 3, H. Sheridan 2, Healey, W. Sheridan. Points on fouls, Lowell 2, Newburyport 3. Referee, Charles Connors of Lowell. Timekeeper, Hugh Healey of Newburyport. Attendance 800.

NOTES.

Allard is traveling some.

We won two out of five games this week and both our victories were over Newburyport.

Haverhill in Associate hall Monday night. The game will be worth seeing as the contest last Monday is still fresh in the minds of the fans.

The Shawlights play Company F of Fitchburg tonight. The game will be played in the armory at Fitchburg. A large delegation of Shawlight rooters will take in the game.

The Cadet orchestra will be present at every game of basketball played in this city during the remainder of the season. Manager Gray closed a deal with the orchestra last night and as a result we will have music before each game and between the periods.

Commenting on the Haverhill-Newburyport game of Wednesday, the Haverhill Gazette says:

"Flo. Haggerty, who has an unfortunate habit of bumping into strenuous affairs on the floor, had a couple of lively mix-ups with Joe Lynch, that threatened to develop into fistic encounters. But when things got too warm Referee Connors called time and allowed the perspiration to roll off the excited players before blowing the whistle again. Haggerty played in his customary vigorous style and added materially in the victory of the home team, while Doyle contributed his share of the hard work and was rewarded by registering three of the 11 baskets that were harvested. A weak spot in the visiting lineup was at right forward, where Jack Punch was located. Bucky Lew simply toyed with the fat little fellow from Newburyport and the good work done by the other visitors suffered in proportion, as the failure of Punch to make good gave the spectators the impression that the weakness was a general one which applied to the whole Newburyport team. A stronger man than Regan was also essential to the success of the visiting aggregation.

BOXING GOSSIP

If what the promoters say is true Lowell is to have a first class boxing club and perhaps two, centrally located and properly conducted. It is a long time since the Lowell sports have seen any good boxing at home and the opening of the clubs should be popular provided they do not conflict and get to fighting each other as has been the experience in the past. If there are to be two clubs let each attend to its own affairs and not bother about the other.

Boxing is going along smoothly in nearly every other city in New England under somewhat restricted conditions and it could go along very well in this city if started.

WRESTLING NOTES

All the wrestlers have heard of Lowell and are writing on to the different sporting editors for matches. Some of the best men in the country have asked for matches in this city and as a result this should be a good winter for wrestling in Lowell. Charlie Jackson, the best wrestler that Lowell can boast of, says: "I am ready to meet most any one and I don't ask any one my weight or near it to lay down for me and I will lay down for no one. I think I can throw any man of my weight in the country and if I can't the man who throws me will get the hardest fight he ever had in his life. I want to meet Tremblay once more and I'll guarantee that he will go down."

Hanson, the heavyweight Dane who wrestled here a couple of times, wants another go with Jackson. He weighs about 170 and for that reason Jackson believes that it should be a handicap match, Hanson to throw him twice in one hour. Tremblay, Hanson, Parker, Maupas, Getch, Swanson, and others are among the wrestling celebrities who will probably appear here during the winter.

ON THE ALLEYS

MOHAIR BOWLERS IN A CLOSE CONTEST.

Maud's Pets defeated Ambrose's Wonders in a game of duck pins at the Bowlaway last night. Galvin was the star roller of the evening with an even 100 to his credit. Both teams were recruited from the Mohairs. The score:

MAUD'S PETS.

Hydie	82	81	88	251
Lennan	67	80	72	219
M. Mack	92	93	83	268
B. Mack	97	80	80	257
Mulvey	93	79	77	249
Totals	431	413	400	1244

AMBROSE'S WONDERS.

Ambrose	80	76	79	235
Campbell	75	71	88	234
Corcoran	84	72	84	240
Galvin	84	100	84	268
Slavin	72	85	84	241
Totals	395	404	419	1218

LOWELL COUNCIL WON.

Teams representing Lowell 8 R. A. and Highland 570, R. A., bowled a preliminary match game on the Bowlaway alleys last night. Abbott of Lowell 8 was high man with 97. The score:

LOWELL COUNCIL.

Edwards	71	71	78	220
Paradis	81	86	78	245
Abbott	84	97	83	264
Hodgman	77	74	86	237
Richardson	84	95	90	269
Totals	397	423	415	1235

HIGHLAND COUNCIL.

Langevin	75	86	82	243
Robitaille	71	70	71	212
Dodge	76	68	77	221
Jolly	73	79	87	239
Greig	88	78	81	247
Totals	386	381	398	1165

EXCEED $500,000,000

EXPORTS OF MANUFACTURES OF IMMENSE VALUE.

Exports of manufactures in the calendar year 1904 will probably exceed $500,000,000 in value. Details of eleven months' exports just completed by the Department of Commerce and Labor, through its Bureau of Statistics, show for the eleven months of the present year a total of $459,575,023 of manufactures exported, and for the month of November alone $46,663,896; so that, unless the December exports should prove much less than those of November, the total exports of manufactures for the calendar year must exceed 500 million dollars.

In the calendar year 1903 the exports of manufactures were but 421 millions; in 1900, in which year the highest export record in manufactures occurred, the total for the calendar year was 441 millions; in 1898, 308 millions; in 1896, 253 millions; and in 1894, 178 millions. Thus the exports of manufactures in 1904 seem likely to be nearly three times as great as those in 1894. The increase in the exportation of manufactures has been sufficient to nearly offset the phenomenal reduction in exports of agricultural products.

As is well known, the shortage in our own wheat supply, coupled with the unusual demand in the home market and the unusually large surplus in other countries from which our former customers were able to draw freely, have caused the exports of breadstuffs from the United States, and especially those of wheat and flour, to fall off greatly in the last year, so that agricultural products which, in the eleven months ending with November, 1903, amounted to 789 million dollars in value, were but 704 millions in the corresponding months of 1904, a fall of 85 millions; while manufactures show an increase of 77 millions, the figures for the eleven months of 1903 having been 382 millions, and in eleven months of 1904, 459 millions. In addition to this, products of the mines show an increase of about 3 millions, products of the forests 5 millions, and products of the fisheries 1 million dollars; while the miscellaneous group shows a decrease of about 1 million dollars and foreign merchandise exported a decrease of nearly 2 millions, bringing the total exports for the eleven months of 1904 up to $1,306,173,292, against $1,309,933,517 in the corresponding months of 1903.

On the import side the total importations for eleven months are $939,381,659, against $917,725,693 in the corresponding months of last year. The fact that the imports for the single month of November, 1904, were $95,208,172 seems to justify the statement that the total imports for the calendar year will be over one billion dollars. The greatest increase in imports occurs in articles of food, chiefly sugar and coffee, which divide honors about equally in the increase in imports of foodstuffs. The other group showing an increase is "articles in a crude condition for use in manufacturing," which for the eleven months ending with November, 1904, showed a total of $309,338,679, against $293,439,440 in the corresponding period of last year. The other groups, "articles wholly or partially manufactured, for use in manufacturing", "articles manufactured, ready for consumption," and "articles of voluntary use, luxuries, etc.," show in each case a slight decrease as compared with last year, the figures being: Articles wholly or partially manufactured, for use in manufacturing, $122,122,187, against $140,845,440 in the eleven months' period of last year; manufactured articles ready for consumption, $145,110,133, against $159,872,017 in the same period of last year; and articles of voluntary use, luxuries, etc., $122,184,867, against $130,252,185 in the eleven months of 1903.

RECKLESS DRIVER.

BERLIN, Dec. 31.—A reckless driver of a heavy truck came near running down the carriage of the Empress Augusta Victoria last night. He drove toward the station at full speed, through the police line and directly toward the carriage of the empress and the officers barely succeeded in averting a collision. The driver vigorously resisted arrest.

TWENTY INJURED

CENTRAL VERMONT TRAIN WAS WRECKED.

GRANBY, Que., Dec. 31.—A Central Vermont mixed train was wrecked yesterday two miles east of here by the breaking of a truck on the last passenger coach. The coach was overturned and dragged several rods. Twenty passengers were injured, but the only serious case is that of a seven-year-old child named Robierre of Granby, who has a fractured skull.

Mr. Stephen B. Puffer, the well known manager of the Criterion Knitting company, who resides at No. 952 Middlesex street, says:

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"Mr. Lyman Brown—I have improved wonderfully in health since using your 'Seven Barks.' Before using 'Seven Barks' I was troubled very much with indigestion and Dyspepsia, but now I can eat anything and I am as strong as I ever was in my life. I hardly know how to thank you for the good your medicine has done me. I wish every woman in the world could read what I am now writing. Your sincere friend, (Mrs.) Susie Morton."

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SUNDAY SERVICES

TO BE HELD AT THE DIFFERENT LOCAL CHURCHES.

BAPTIST.

Branch Street—Middlesex st. at easterly junction of Branch and Middlesex st., Rev. Asa R. Bitts, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, Young People's meeting at 5.45, evening service at 6.30.

Chelmsford Street Freewill—Chelmsford st., cor. Plain, Rev. Albert E. Kenyon, pastor. Morning service at 10.30. Sunday school at noon.

Morning, Supt. V. A. Cooper of Little Wanderers Home of Boston, will speak. Children from the home will sing. Evening, "A New Year Message."

Fifth Street—West Fifth st. Rev. Orville Coats, pastor, 727 Bridge st. Morning service at 10.30. Bible school at 12, evening service at 6.30.

First—George st., cor. Church st. Rev. Smith T. Ford, D.D., pastor. Morning service at 10.30. Sunday school at 12. Junior Young People's society at 5.15, evening service at 6.30.

First Freewill—Paige st., Rev. D. B. Martin, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, evening service 6.30.

French Baptist Church—Ennis st., cor. West Sixth, Rev. Isaac LaFleur, pastor.

Immanuel—Blossom st. Rev. Robert F. True, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Y.P.S.C.E. at 5.30, evening service at 6.30.

Morning, "Reminded," followed by Communion. Evening, "The Eternal Past."

Mt. Vernon Free Baptist—Mt. Vernon cor. Butterfield st. Rev. F. E. Carver, pastor.

Morning, A New Year Inquiry, "Do I Love the Lord?" Evening, Temperance address.

North Billerica—Rev. Chester Howe, pastor.

Morning, "Time Flies"; evening, Dr. Clifford of the N. E. Home for Little Wanderers, will speak. A chorus of little children will sing.

North Tewksbury Baptist, Rev. C. L. Pierce, pastor. Morning service at 10.30. Evening at 6.30.

Morning, "The Greatest Questions," A New Year sermon. Evening "A Lesson From Abraham."

Worthen Street—Rev. Arthur P. Wedge, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, evening service at 6.30, C.E. meeting 5.15.

Morning, "The Pottery of the Year." Evening, "The Healing Rays."

CATHOLIC CHURCHES.

Sunday within the Octave of Christmas. Gospel read in the mass and the general subject of sermons taken from St. Luke 11., 33-40.

St. Patrick's—Masses will be sung in the basement at 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11. The 10 o'clock mass will be exclusively for the children, while the 11 o'clock mass will replace the usual high mass.

St. Peter's—Gorham st. Rev. Michael Ronan, rector. First mass at 6, second mass at 7, third mass at 8 (new church), children's mass at 9 (old church), fourth mass at 9, high mass and sermon at 10.30, Sunday school at 2, vespers at 7.

St. Michael's—Sixth st. Rev. John J. Shaw, pastor. First mass at 6.30, children's mass at 8.15, second mass at 9, high mass and sermon at 10.30. Sunday school at 1.30, vespers at 3.

Immaculate Conception (Oblate Fathers), East Merrimack st. between Brown and High. Rev. E. A. Gorgan, O.M.I., pastor. First mass at 6, second mass at 7.30, children's mass at 10.30, Sunday school at 2, vespers at 6.30.

Church of the Sacred Heart (Oblate Fathers), Moore st., opp. Andrews st., Rev. John P. Reynolds, O.M.I., pastor. First mass at 6, children's mass at 8, second mass at 9, high mass and sermon at 10.30, Sunday school at 2, vespers at 6.30.

St. Jean Baptiste (Oblate Fathers), Merrimack st., cor. Aiken. Rev. Joseph Mangin, O.M.I., rector. First mass at 7, children's mass at 8.30, high mass with sermon at 10, vespers at 6.30.

St. Joseph's (Oblate Fathers), Lee st. Rev. Leon Lamothe, O.M.I., rector. First mass at 7, second mass at 8.30, high mass and sermon at 10, vespers at 3.

St. Louis—West Sixth st., Rev. J. N. Jacques, rector. First mass at 7, second mass at 8.30, high mass and sermon at 10, vespers at 3.

St. Anthony's (Portuguese,) Gorham st., cor. Congress. Rev. Joaquin V. Rosa, pastor. First mass at 8, second mass at 9, and high mass and sermon at 10.30, vespers at 3.30.

Church of the Holy Trinity (Polish) High st.—First mass at 8, high mass and sermon at 10.30, vespers at 4.

CONGREGATIONAL.

Central Congregational church, Chelmsford; Rev. A. F. Earnshaw, pastor.

Centre—Dracut. Morning service at 10.45, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 7. Rev. Charles P. Marshall, of Andover, will preach morning and evening.

Elliot—Summer st., cor. Favor. Rev. E. Victor Bigelow, pastor. Rev. J. M. Greene, D.D., pastor emeritus. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, Y.P.S.C.E. at 6, evening service at 7.

Morning, Sermon by Rev. E. C. Winslow, of Boston. Evening service will be conducted by Rev. Dorr Hudson of No. Chelmsford. The choir with assisting singers will give the beautiful cantata "The Manger Throne," by Manney.

Evangelical—Tyngsboro, Rev. Sarah A. Dixon, pastor. Morning service at 10.45, Sunday school at 12, Y.P.S.C.E. at 6.30, evening service at 7.

First—Merrimack st. opp. public library, Rev. Ralph Gilsum, acting pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, Y.P.S.C.E. at 6.30, evening at 6.30.

Communion service in the morning. Sermon by Rev. J. M. Greene. Subject, "Christ With Us." Evening, "A Successful New Year."

First Trinitarian—Dutton st., cor. Music Hall av. Rev. Geo. F. Kenngott, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 7.

French—Bowers st., cor. Fletcher, Rev. T. G. A. Cote, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 6.30.

High Street—East Merrimack st., cor. High. Rev. C. W. Huntington, D.D., pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, Y.P.S.C.E. at 6.15, evening service at 7.

Highland—Westford st., cor. South Canton. Rev. T. Clayton Welles, pastor. Morning prayer at 10.10, sermon at 10.30. Sunday school at 12, evening at 6.30.

Morning, Communion and reception of members. Subject: "What is Life Eternal?" Evening, "A Whole Man."

Hillside, Dracut—Rev. J. A. McKnight, pastor. Services at 10.30; Sunday school and pastor's class at 12; Y.P.S.C.E. at 6.15; evening service at 7.

Morning, "Jesus Only." Lecture by the pastor at 7.

Kirk Street—Kirk st. opp. French, Rev. Geo. E. Martin, D.D., pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 6.30.

Pawtucket—Pawtucket sq. Rev. Edwin R. Smith, minister. Morning worship at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, Y.P.S.C.E. at 6, evening service at 7.

Morning, "A Closer Walk With God," Communion service. Evening "Doing Unusual Things."

Pelham Church—Rev. J. L. Hoyle, pastor. Preaching at 10.45, Sunday school 12.

Second Congregational church, North Chelmsford, Rev. D. A. Hudson, pastor.

Swedish—Lendon st. Rev. F. A. Lindholm pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 7.

Tewksbury Congregational—Morning services at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 6.30.

EPISCOPAL.

All Saints—Chelmsford. Services and sermon at 10.45, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 7, Holy Communion at 10, first Sunday in the month 10.45.

House of Prayer, Walker st., Rev. A. C. Chapman, priest in charge—High mass, 10.30; vespers 7. First Sunday in month—low mass at 5.

St. Anne's, corner Kirk and Merrimack streets, Rev. A. St. John Chambre, D. D., rector.

Sermon and holy communion, 10.30. Evening prayer and sermon 7. Sunday school, 12. Sermons appropriate to the New Year.

St. John's—Gorham st. near court house, Rev. Leander C. Manchester, rector—Morning service at 10.30; Sunday school at 12, evening service at 6.30. Communion first and third Sundays and on the greater festivals.

LUTHERAN.

Swedish—Meadowcroft st., near Moore, Rev. F. E. Asley, pastor, Sunday school at 9, morning service at 10.30, evening service at 7.

METHODIST.

Berean Primitive—Moore st., near Lawrence, Rev. D. Markham, pastor. Morning service at 10.30. Sunday school at 12, evening service at 6.30.

Morning, "What Dawn Revealed." Evening, Sacred special singing concert.

Central Methodist—Paige st., cor. John, Rev. W. W. Shenk, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, Epworth League 6.30, evening service at 6.30.

Morning, "Vision and Faith as Essential Elements in Life's Outlook." Communion and reception of members. Epworth league subject: "Our Goals for 1905," leader, the pastor. Preaching by Presiding Elder, Dr. J. H. Mansfield, in the evening at 6.30. The third quarterly conference at close of evening service.

Centralville M. E.—Bridge st., cor. Hildreth, Rev. F. M. Pickles pastor. Preaching at 10.30 and 6.45, Sunday school at 12, Epworth League at 6.

Sermon morning and evening appropriate to the New Year.

First Primitive—Gorham st., cor. Ellsworth, Rev. Nathaniel W. Matthews, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday schol at 12, evening service at 6.30.

First Swedish—Moore st., cor. Bourne, Rev. Oscar W. Johnson, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 2, evening service at 6.30.

Highland—Loring st., cor Grove, Rev. B. F. Kingsley, pastor, Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, evening service at 6.30.

Morning, reception of new members and sacrament of the Lord's Supper. At 3 Children's church—"The Bottle Sermon." At 6.30, "Our Annual Inventory," and New Year's song service.

St. Paul's—Junction of Hurd and Warren sts., Rev. Geo. B. Dunn, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school and Bible class at 12, evening service at 6.30.

Morning, Communion and reception of members. Evening, New Year's resolutions.

Worthen Street—Rev. E. P. Herrick, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 12, Epworth league at 5.30, evening service at 6.30.

Morning, brief sermon followed by sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Evening subject: "Thoughts for the New Year."

MINISTRY-AT-LARGE.

Free church, Middlesex st., near South, Rev. George C. Wright, minister. Church service at 10.45 a. m. Sunday school at 12.

Morning, "The Conditions Under Which Are Held All the Gifts of Life."

PRESBYTERIAN.

First—Appleton st., cor Davis, Rev. James M. Craig, pastor. Morning service at 10.30; Sunday school at 12; evening at 7.

Morning, "Seeing Things Rightly;" evening, "Wise Reckoning of Time."

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Morning, "Ring Out the Old. Ring In the New." Evening, "A Good Resolve."

UNITARIAN.

Chelmsford Centre Unitarian—Rev. A. D. K. Shurtleff, pastor. Morning service at 10.45. Young people's guild at 7.

First—Merrimack st., opp. John, Rev. Chas. T. Billings, pastor. Regular morning service at 10.45, Sunday school after morning service.

UNIVERSALIST.

First—Hurd st., Rev. Caleb E. Fisher, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Y.P.S.C.E. at 6.

Morning, "Thoughts for the New Year." Evening, Union service in First Unitarian church.

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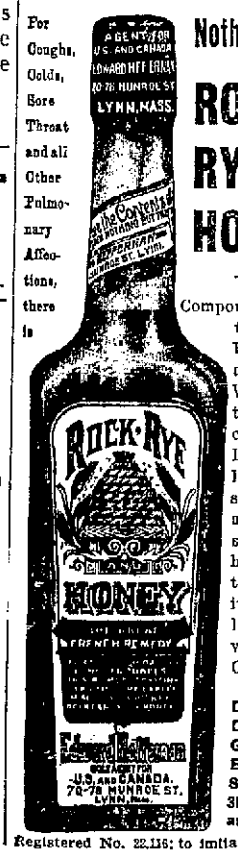

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Type of Fortress Against Which Japan Is Contending

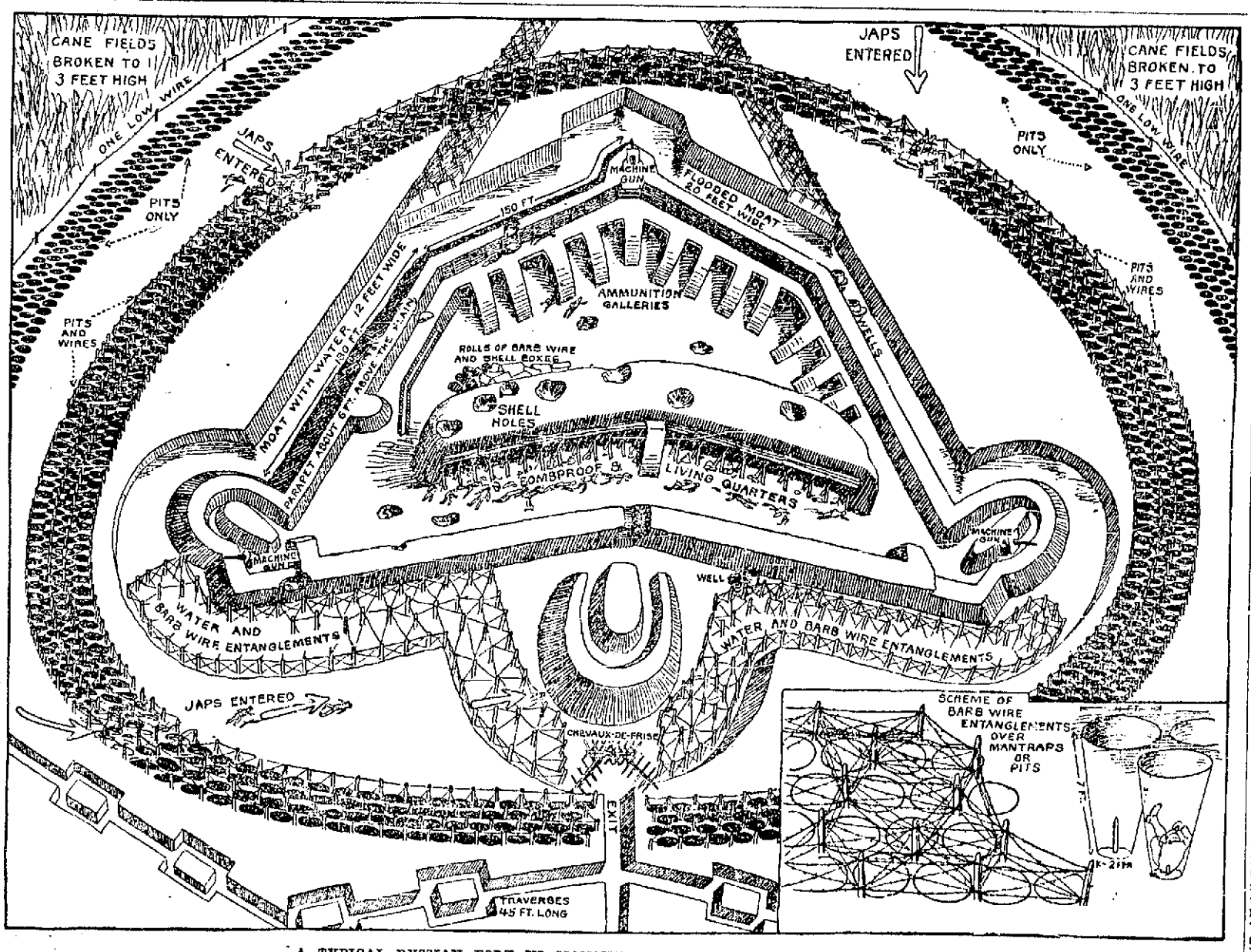
THERE is nothing so well calculated to convey an accurate understanding of the almost insuperable difficulties which have met the Japanese advance in Manchuria as a somewhat detailed study of one of the formidable redoubts which the Russians have constructed as the outer defenses of the fortified points at which they have made a stand.

These earthworks are beyond question the most effective ever built under similar conditions and they are very numerous. At one point which was eventually dominated by the Japanese no less than eleven of these monstrous death traps stood between the eager assailants and their prey. They are so nearly alike, differing only in size and minor arrangements, that a description of one will suffice for all.

They are constructed on the level plain and are irregularly ovoid in shape. They are almost completely surrounded by fields of grain. The inner boundary of which is marked by a single line of barbed wire strung just above the ground. Immediately within this rather harmless looking and partially concealed wire are two contiguous rows of pits, each of which is a cruel and ingeniously contrived death trap. The pits are in the form of an inverted truncated cone and are about four feet across the top and two at the bottom. They are seven feet in depth, and the bottom of each is provided with an upturned steel spike, an especially murderous pattern. These yawning sepulchers have swallowed many an advance troop of infantry flushed with the day's successes and eventide gallantly making a final charge across the grain-field, there to be precipitated by the hidden wire into the very arms of death.

Those who succeed in crossing this quadruple danger zone reach a stretch of level surface which is free from any danger more or less than that derived from the fire of the machine guns mounted in horseshoe laterals on the parapet. Advance of a few hundred yards brings them face to face with another obstacle. This is also constructed of four parallel rows of pits like the outer one, re-enforced by an ingenious entanglement of barbed wire so woven and interwoven that passage across the barrier is well nigh hopeless. Within this devilish system of moats, a fresh interposition in the form of a flooded moat presents itself. This immense ditch is from twelve to thirty feet in width and deep enough to check a sudden advance of foot soldiers. At its inner margin are located the wells which supply the garrison. By the time the fortification has assumed a triangular appearance and is outlined further protected by a parapet six feet above the level surface of the ground. This strong earthwork is expanded into horseshoe laterals at the wide and apex, and these are provided with machine guns of the most modern type.

Just within the apex of the triangle are the ammunition galleries, which are bombproof in the center of the inner inclosure the bombproof living quarters for the garrison. Although these are excavations, an earthwork mound above them makes possible the entrance of sufficient air and light, so that these underground habitations are less uncomfortable than might be supposed.



A TYPICAL RUSSIAN FORT IN MANCHURIA, CAPTURED BY THE JAPANESE.

This brief description includes the essential features of the redoubt. In addition to this, the entire length of the base of the triangle, which contains the exit to the system, is further safeguarded. In the center and just without the parapet, guarding both the inner and the outer exits, is another horseshoe fort, and between this and the outer exit are fixed supplemental menaces in the form of bristling chevaux-de-frise. Beginning at the lateral horseshoe forts, the moat expands, and the water is filled with barbed wire entanglements. Between the two mantrap systems, and on both sides of the outer exit, traverses are interposed, making enfilading almost impossible.

After becoming familiar with the plan of these almost impregnable redoubts, one ceases to marvel that 3,000 Japanese soldiers fell during a night attack on one of them. The wonder is that the valiant little men of the island empire have succeeded in breaking into so many of these strongholds. The cut shows the points at which this particular fortress was entered.

A WONDERFUL FEAT OF SURGICAL SKILL.

Lolita Armour, the little nine-year-old daughter of the head of the great packing house trust of Chicago, is a living witness to the skill of Dr. Adolf Lorenz of Vienna, the famous specialist in the reduction of dislocations. The deformity was congenital, the hip joints having no articulation, so that all hope of assuming an upright position was fruitless under the existing circumstances. Fortunately for the little crippled

LOLITA ARMOUR.

girl her father was able to give her the benefit of the best surgical ability in the world, and with that purpose in view Dr. Lorenz was summoned to America. The surgeon came and reduced the deformity, making a second visit a few months later to remove the plaster cast. Last spring Lolita was taken to Vienna, and she remained there for several months until a complete cure was made.

CURIOUS RELIGIOUS SECT.

There is at least one religious sect which is composed entirely of women. It was started two or three years ago by an elderly peasant woman of Sozonova, in the Russian province of Samara, near the river Volga. She calls herself and is called by her followers "the Blessed Mother." She has a bodyguard of women known as the "Ten Wise Virgins," and these as well as herself are credited with remarkable powers. All her followers are women, and they live like troglodytes in holes in a cliff. They take turns to go to the villages for supplies, lead a life of fasting and prayer, habit their ritual at night and believe that the world will in a short time perish in one grand conflagration.

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NEW YEAR'S

KATE CLYDE Makes Several Sage Suggestions Concerning the Universal "Resolutionizing" Habit --- The Pernicious Literary Tendency --- Cashmere Reigns Supreme In Its Field

A HAPPY New Year to you! In spite of this cheerful beginning it occurs to me that New Year's is not as cheerful a holiday as it might be. Some of us who are afflicted with consciences are apt to think of what we have left undone during the past year. Viewed in the light of retrospection, the months do not seem as well filled as they ought to have been. What on earth have we done with a whole year, and what have we to show for it?

I have one ultra practical friend who takes account of stock on the 31st day of December somewhat after this fashion:

Number of friends gained.....
Number of friends lost.....
Good deeds performed.....
Clever deeds performed.....
Idiotic deeds performed.....
Illnesses .....
Pieces of good luck.....
Talents cultivated .....

—and a few more of the like. She says she finds it very soul satisfying. I'm afraid I shouldn't, for a very good reason—I hate to be reminded that I frivoled most of my time away, and, then, reason No. 2, I haven't a conscience which finds pleasure in self vivisection.

But to return to the subject of New Year's conscience examinations. Of course one makes multitudinous good resolutions. Thank heaven, we have at least the blessed privilege of beginning a fresh page! Some of these New Year's resolutions do not last through January, but, here is one which might with profit last through the entire year. I refer to the resolution to be dignified.

"The resolution to be dignified!" I hear some one exclaim. Well, yes, exactly that. It is a New Year's resolution which would benefit many people if they had the sense to make it.

Importance of Dignity.

Some of the most charming women I have met were not social successes because they lacked this quality. She who wears her heart so that they who run may read and she who has no reserve are unlikely to be held in very high esteem. With all due respect to the average woman, it is not good policy to show her your entire hand. She values you so long as you are a mystery, or at least somewhat of a mystery, and then as soon as she thinks she has you stripped of all your tinsel and furbelows she labels you "Class A: very ordinary," and leaves you there. So you see it is justice as well to keep a few of your affairs to yourself.

New Year's resolutions.

And don't tell your troubles. That is another good New Year's resolution. Once you begin doing that you are lost. The woman who has learned to choke down her troubles and keep them for her own delectation has won half the battle of life, and her popularity is such that she is in great demand.

Can't you remember, for the matter of that, friends of yours that you liked very much, but who left you all tired out and with a dry taste in your mouth every time they departed after a call? You felt strangely depressed, as if life was not worth living, and upon thinking it over you came to the conclusion that it was the conversation that had so woefully affected you, their conversation which was devoid of even one ray of sunshine, but was simply a string of hard luck tales. I suppose every community, every town, every village, has its Calamity Jane, but if I had my way she would be barred forever from cheerful society.

There is only one variety of hostess who enjoys hard luck tales. To her sympathetic bosom you may flee, and neither the length nor the dolefulness of your stories, not even tears, will appall her. But, my friends, she is the sympathetic soul who fattens on your misfortunes, because they furnish her with fine material for conversation with her other friends. How your ears would burn if you could hear her as she relates your hard luck and assigns her own reasons for it, usually your stupidity and lack of knowledge of the world, while if she had been there in your place—

A string of hard luck tales.

Oh, no; don't tell your troubles!
What is the use?

The Literary Habit.

And a third and last New Year's resolution—don't write things. The literary instinct has proved a deadly one for many a well intentioned woman. If you feel that you must pour out your soul on paper pour it out in a story and then sign a false name to it and sell it for publication and get money for it. There is in one of the reigning musical comedies a very fetching little song which illustrates this charmingly. It is called "In Black and White," and it points out the insidious dangers of having things down in black and white. You can deny if brought right up against it that you ever did or said a foolish thing, but you can never go back on a piece of writing, which speaks louder than words, and, alas, far more permanently.

So if you are wise deny yourself this particular luxury.

If there is anything which makes me chuckle it is to read an article written by an ambitious young space writer on how any woman who is a perfect lady can clothe herself on 2 cents a year. The article is spread out like thin butter on a large piece of bread so that it will cover an entire column, and I see the impecunious young author pocketing the $8 which the column is worth and blowing it in all at one fell swoop to counteract the doleful depression caused by considering economy even from a literary standpoint.

Blowing it in.

They say Americans have no respect for authority, and it must be pretty true, according to a recent popular definition—Authority, one who can bluff you beyond your limit! Sometimes I think myself that bluffing is the correct thing when I see how well some people make it work.

The American Way

This is certainly a great country. We are nervous and excitable and, above all, versatile. While a certain percentage of the population is admiring Don Caspar, the Swashbuckler, as he struts before the footlights and kills two men with his right hand and four with his left, not to speak of scattering Gadzooks and Bodkins, another portion of America is sitting in open mouthed admiration of Ibsen or trying to take in Bernard Shaw at one gulp. And the actors expounding the swashbuckling melodrama get just as many curtain calls as the artists who elucidate the last named gentlemen.

So much for our national taste as to the "drahma."

"But it ees ze quickness and ze beesness sense of ze Americans zat surprise me," remarked a French friend of mine the other day. "Behold even ze children! I walk down ze street. I see a newsstand. Then, by zat newsstand comes a small boy. He seize a paper, he r-r-ru like mad. Some one he give chase. Cry, 'Stop t'ief!' Ze boy he r-run like ze meeschief. Before he reach ze end of ze street zey see him hand ze paper to a monsieur and receive ze penny in return. All zis vizout stopping to get his breath, and he haf sold eet before zey can catch heem! Now, do you not call zat ze good American beesness sense?"

Cashmere Is "It."

It almost breaks my heart to leave this diversified sort of conversation and descend to mere fashion, but I feel it my bounden duty to let you know that cashmere is distinctively "it" so far as semidressygowns go. You may not like it, call all the names you want to—"old maidish," "slinky," "unbecoming"—but, take my word for it, it is smart. The becomingness depends upon the way in which it is made. The simpler the mode the better. A plaited skirt—the material lends itself admirably to this—and a full, soft waist with a wide girdle make a popular pattern. Oriental embroideries are much used for trimming this sort of dress, and if you invest in a rather bright blue cashmere ornamented with black and blue oriental trimings take my word for it you will not err.

Kate Clyde

New York.

HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

Few persons realize how much of their happiness, such as it is, is dependent upon their work, upon the fact that they are kept busy and not left to feed upon themselves. Happiness comes most to those who seek it least and think least about it. It is not an object to be sought, it is a state to be induced. It must follow and not lead. It must overtake and not you it.

VELVET STREET COSTUME.

The smart costume illustrated is of spotted black velvet, princess in effect. The front skirt panel is of plain black velvet held together at the top with handsome ornaments of silk braid. The bodice is gathered becomingly about the figure, trimmed with braid and encircled with a ceinture of plain black velvet.

MME. CURIE

The Discoverer of Radium Is Still Investigating

NOTHING much has been heard or written of radium recently. Secondary experimenters have told all they know about it, but its discoverer, Mme. Curie, is silent. She, too, told all she knew about it at the time of its discovery. After that she betook herself with more zeal than ever to her researches in the laboratory. She said not long since that we know scarcely anything as yet of the possibilities of this mysterious substance. She expects wonderful results from it, but what these are she no more than any of the secondary investigators knows till she finds out at first hand. When she does establish further facts for certain she herself will tell us the scientific truth about radium.

It must be gratifying to every fair minded person that credit for the greatest scientific discovery of the twentieth century has been given where it belongs—to a woman. A few years ago this would not have been done. Many a woman has done things scarcely less remarkable than Mme. Curie's achievement, and man, who writes the encyclopedias and makes reports to the scientific societies, claimed the credit for himself. Even the honor of discovering radium would have been wrested from Mme. Curie only for the sense of justice of her own husband. The French government offered him the cross of the Legion of Honor. He declined because, he said, his wife was properly entitled to it. The injustice unconsciously shown by all the world toward women is evinced in the fact that at the time of the discovery of radium newspapers throughout civilization spoke of Professor Pierre Curie as its original finder, some of them mentioning his wife as his "assistant."

Here is the actual truth concerning the discovery of radium: Professor and Mme. Curie worked in the same laboratory, usually along separate lines of investigation. Mme. Curie was intensely interested in radio activity, as shown in the so called Becquerel rays, thrown off from uranium. The mineral chalcolite showed radio activity in a more powerful degree than uranium. Note now what this original investigator did. She knew the constituents of chalcolite, and she put these together and made an artificial chalcolite. It did not emit the radiant rays. The rays, then, came from some substance mingled with the mineral. Mme. Curie experimented till she separated that substance—radium.

The husband's part in it consisted in at length becoming so interested in his wife's experiments that he aided her, and both together spent all the money they had laid up ($2,000) in buying pitchblende, which contained the radium. It had to be imported by the ton from Bohemia. A whole ton of pitchblende contains only three grains of radium.

It is pitiful to think how poor the Curies were when they sacrificed their last penny to science. They lived in a one story cottage in a suburb of Paris. Poverty has hounted the gifted pair all their lives until within a year past. She, Mlle. Sklodowska, a young Polish girl, went from her native Warsaw to study mathematics and the natural sciences in Paris. She was too poor to enter the great universities, so enrolled herself as student in a free school conducted for working people by the municipality of Paris. The teacher of physics and chemistry in that school was Professor Pierre Curie. Mlle. Sklodowska, a natural born chemist, became his assistant in the laboratory. Her remarkable talent and her skill in manipulation astonished the professor. In order to continue her studies the girl confined herself to the bare necessities of living.

Pierre Curie was in time chosen professor in the Mechanics' Institute of Paris. The remuneration was very little, however. Professor Curie had become so accustomed to his laboratory assistant by this time, also so attached to her, that he could not look forward to a future without her. He proposed marriage to her and was accepted.

So the two gifted ones put their respective poverties together and were married. Mme. Curie accepted a place as teacher of physics in a girls' high school at Sevres, wages $500 a year, less than a good saleswoman in an American city dry goods store receives. To save car fare both Professor and Mme. Curie rode to and from their schools upon bicycles. Their little house was bare of all ornamentation, of nearly all that appeals to the aesthetic sense. Their only luxury, if one might call it so, was their baby daughter, Irene, a beautiful child, who has had always the tenderest love and care from both father and mother.

The time they could spare from school, all the money they could save from household expenses, went into original chemical research, which they prosecuted in a tumbledown little laboratory, because they could afford nothing better.

So it was when in 1900 came on the scientific world like a thunderclap the announcement that there is on this earth a substance which shines by its own light without any apparent diminution of bulk and produces upon living organisms effects so weird and terrible that too great familiarity with it even in experimenting is dangerous.

After the discovery of radium the Curies were placed beyond the pinching of poverty by the award of several prizes, bestowed for scientific achievements, which amounted to over $30,000. M. Curie was made professor of general physics in the Sorbonne university at Paris, with Mme. Curie as his assistant. No doubt it would have turned the old Sorbonne upside down from its foundations and shocked the masculine population of France crazy if madame instead of M. Curie had been appointed professor of physics. So it goes in this one legged world.

Highly entertaining is the story a Polish gentleman tells of Mme. Curie's childhood in Warsaw. Her father, M. Sklodowska, teacher of sciences, had just two objects to live for—his work and his little daughter. The gentleman was a friend of M. Sklodowska and spent many an hour in his laboratory. There, too, the child who was to discover radium spent most of her time. She never cared for toys, like other children. Retorts and test tubes were her toys. Almost from babyhood she manipulated them with the skill of a trained chemist. Once or twice, indeed, the gentleman was surprised to see her when a very small child enter the laboratory carrying a dilapidated old doll, but no sooner did she catch sight of her father's friend than she deposited the doll in his arms, while she turned to the chemicals with the zest with which ordinary children make mud pies.

Mme. Curie is a blond, with beautiful yellow hair, large, nobly developed head and the slightly "tiptilted" nose seen in many Poles. She is as simple, sincere and modest in her ways as all great souls have been since the world began. The friend who knew her in her childhood lately said to her:

"Why do you work so hard? Surely you can take a little rest now."

With the rarely sweet smile that is all her own, the famous woman answered:

"How can I think of resting when there is so much to learn and so much to do?"

MARILLA WEAVER.

MME. CURIE

FOR THE NEW YEAR.

Rev. Louis Albert Banks recommends the following ten noble resolutions for the new year. They consist of five "will nots" and five "wills:"

First.—I will not gossip myself nor listen to it from another.

Second.—I will not speak while angry.

Third.—I will not worry.

Fourth.—I will not quarrel.

Fifth.—I will not talk about my troubles.

Sixth.—I will express appreciation and thanks for every favor received.

Seventh.—I will seize every opportunity to give happiness to children.

Eighth.—I will exercise patience toward people who are overburdened with labor or sorrow.

Ninth.—I will seek constantly to cultivate the affection of my family and friends.

Tenth.—I shall live with a hand ready to give a lift to the man or woman who is down.

A BEAUTIFUL AFTERNOON GOWN.

The gown illustrated is worn by Mlle. Marthe Regnier of the Vaudeville theater, Paris. It is charmingly carried out in a soft, silky champagne cloth. At the bottom of the plaited skirt is a deep band of chiffon taffeta of the same tone. On top of each plait is an ornament of silk braid. The bodice blouses slightly back and front above a ceinture of braid. Lace forms the mitten cuffs, small revers and shoulder epaulets, which are threaded with brown velvet.

A RETURN TO THE TRULY REFINED LIFE.

FROM the fuss made about the "simple life" lately one might think nobody in America knows how to live it any more, and indeed, we are come to that pass when those who have been brought up on the simple life are sometimes ashamed of it when they ought to glory in it.

There never was a more truly civilized, refined existence than that led by the early Quakers, or Friends, in this country. For gentle breeding and that combination of sweet manners and good manners at home which constitutes the really high bred people the primitive Quaker family in America will stand as a model to their country so long as this republic shall last. An immaculate cleanliness of home and person—one of the first essentials of refinement—few have equaled this. At the same time their homes were filled with warmth, light, good cheer. Their food, while plain, was the best and most nourishing; their clothes, plain, too, was of fine quality, the finest.

Living thus, divested of the supplying of man's mere animal wants of vulgar show and snobbery, many a canny Quaker had time for thought and study and that mental and spiritual growth which is the only true culture. From those gentle, sincere people descended many of the ablest public men this country has known. Not spending their wealth on race horses at $5,000 each or lace at $1,000 a yard, the Friends had always abundant means for comfort, for travel, for scholarship, education and for philanthropy.

Best of all, with this standard of living, a generous, true, simple one, there was not among them the social class distinction that characterizes American life today. Every woman was refined and well bred. If she earned her living as a domestic she was as much esteemed as those for whom she worked for. There was real poverty among those early Friends.

It is changed now. We think we require so many clothes and carriages, so much plate and china and tangling drapers' stuff, so swarms of servants, that life is smothered among its appurtenances. One understands and sympathizes with those sturdy Long Island farmers who declined in a body the invitation to dine with the members of New York's most fashionable hunting set. Is it not enough to choke a quiet man to swallow his food with two or three foreign lackeys standing behind his chair, listening to every word he says and watching sneeringly for him to make some break in the matter of fashionable food taking? What one should pick up the wrong knife or "spoon in" when the occasion of the moment called on him to do it?

"Oh, General Sherman, we are using the wrong fork!" said an American hostess of the new-rich society to the great soldier. She was absorbed in spoons that she lost sight of good manners.

JUDGES.

...SONED FOOD

Woman Tried ... Kill Her Famil...

...E IS DEAD AN... HUSBAND IS ILL...

...ctors Say She Was ... ak Mentally

...ORRISVILLE, Vt., Dec. 31.—...well Ellsworth is dead, her hu... ically ill, and their ten-yea... seriously sick, as the result... ding to Health Officer C. C. Hu... eating food in which poison ... a placed by the mother durin... porary fit of insanity.

The report of the health officer ...ich was also signed by Dr. G. L... tes, the family physician, was made ...blic last night, after a thorough investigation at the Ellsworth home yes...rday. The family were poisoned ...re than two weeks ago. Mrs. ...sworth died early yesterday and ... chances are against the recovery ...her husband. The son is recover...

The doctors learned that Mrs. Ells...rth had been in a weak mental con...tion for some time past. On the ...ht of December 14 shortly after the ...ning meal, Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth ...d their young son, were taken vio...tly ill. It was at first believed that ... illness had been induced by in...ficiently cooked food, but Dr. Bates, ... was summoned to attend the cases ...nd that the family was suffering ...m poison which appeared to have ...n put in the food.

His investigation yesterday proved the satisfaction of both himself and ...eith Officer Rublee that Mrs. Ells...rth, while suffering from homicidal ...nia, mixed the poison with the food ...ved at supper. Young Ellsworth ...sponded readily to the treatment administered by Dr. Bates, but the con...on of his father and mother grew ...idly worse. Mrs. Ellsworth early ...terday succumbed and when Dr. ...es left the bedside of Mr. Ells...rth last night, he said the condition ... his poisoned man was critical.

...is not probable that further offi... action will be taken by the au...rities, the report submitted by Drs. ...tes and Rublee showing satisfactor... that the woman was mentally irresponsible.

...his is the time to buy coal. See ...d H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

REPAIR BARNS BURNED.

...HICAGO, Dec. 31.—Fire last night ...mpletely destroyed the repair barns ...the Chicago Union Traction com...y at 40th and Western avenues, ...illing a loss of $150,000. Fully a ... a dozen families were compelled ... the firemen to leave their homes, ...ch were endangered.

INCENDIARY FIRE

Bad Blaze in Providence Lumber Yard

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 31.—The fourth big lumber fire, apparently of incendiary origin, which has occurred during the past four months, broke out last night, and occasioned the sounding of a general alarm, bringing out all the available apparatus in the city and caused an estimated loss of $100,000, covered by insurance.

The fire started about 9 o'clock in a shingle shed of H. A. Grimwood & Co. at 1163 Westminster street, and quickly made its way through seven of the nine storage sheds owned by the company and communicated to the adjacent yards of L. Vaughan & Co. The former company incurred a larger loss of about $70,000, the Vaughan company estimating its damage at nearly $30,000.

Surrounding the burning section were a number of small wooden structures, for the most part barns and tenement houses, but excellent work by the firemen prevented their igniting though the damage to them was imminent at times.

The extinguishing of the fire was without accident, and occupied about three hours. A noteworthy circumstance of the fire was that a special watchman employed by the company since the series of similar fires in September, was discharged on last Saturday night, the yard being left without this extra precaution against fire. A man said to have been seen running from the scene a short time before the fire started is believed to have some connection with its origin.

Last night's fire was the second largest in damage of the quartet of lumber yard fires, the largest having been that of Burrows & Kenyon on Sept. 26, when over $100,000 damage was done.

NO BONES BROKEN

BOY WAS DRAWN INTO A BIG PULP PRESS.

SANDY HILL, N. Y., Dec. 31.—John Stockton, pressfeeder in the Union Bag and Paper company's mill here, had a remarkable escape from death yesterday.

He was cleaning the big pulp press when his hand were caught between a six-inch roll and the felt-covered bed, and before the machine was stopped his entire body with the exception of his feet, had passed under the roll.

Under normal conditions, the space between the roll and the bed is scarcely more than a quarter of an inch, yet the physicians who examined Stockton found that not a single bone had been broken, and they expressed the belief that he would recover. Stockton is 19 years old.

DANCING PARTY.

The Jolly Six held a pretty dancing party at Associate hall last night. There was a large attendance and music for dancing was furnished by Atwood's orchestra. The affair proved to be a success both from a social and a financial standpoint.

HIS LEG CUT OFF

Quincy Boy Injured While Coasting

QUINCY, Dec. 31.—While coasting across Water street in front of his home yesterday afternoon, Percy Lubarsky, the seven-year-old son of David Lubarsky of 30 Water street, was run over by a heavy four-horse stone wagon and his right leg cut off below the knee.

The stone wagon, which was owned by the C. H. Hardwick granite firm, was driven by Dennis Connors of Morton street, who has the reputation of being a careful driver. The wagon with its load of granite is estimated to have weighed from 12 to 15 tons.

The Lubarsky boy was sliding from a little snow mound on the side of the road across Water street. Those in the vicinity say that the driver did not see the boy in time to stop his horses. The sled struck the rear wheel of the wagon and threw him under it.

The little fellow was taken to the Quincy city hospital in an ambulance, but suffered terribly before the conveyance came, as it happened that physicians could not be secured promptly. When the lad was put on the operating table at the hospital the surgeons found little to do in the line of amputation, as the wagon had done it for them. After being put to bed he suffered from the effects of the shock and was in a serious condition last night.

The police authorities investigated and reported that the driver of the wagon was not at fault.

GENERAL DALTON

RECOMMENDS THAT CAMP GROUNDS BE SOLD.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Adjutant General Samuel Dalton who will retire from the state service next week after being in command of the militia for 30 years, submitted his annual report to Gov. John L. Bates yesterday. In the report General Dalton renews his recommendations that the state camp grounds at South Framingham be sold. The report says:

"The militia has maintained the high standard of last year, the average attendance at ordered duty is the largest I have ever known, and general earnestness pervades the entire force."

The report refers to the annual encampment held in the state and to the manoeuvres at Manassas, Va., and says that it has been proposed to have manoeuvres in Massachusetts by the state force and regulars combined and that this is receiving consideration.

Continuing, the report says:

"The First regiment has made progress in the work of heavy artillery, and the board of revision of the law to conform to the new national militia bill will undoubtedly advocate the organization of this regiment to conform to the same arm in the regular service. The force now allowed by law is 485 officers and 6,116 enlisted men. Returns from cities and towns with estimates, show the number of enrolled militia to be 496,137, an increase of 1,078 over the previous year."

CHORAL SOCIETY

EFFORTS TO ORGANIZE A REPRESENTATIVE ONE IN LOWELL.

Twelve of the musically inclined, and talented, met last evening and discussed the possibility of organizing a choral society in Lowell and the chances for a representative choral society are, to say the least, rather hopeful.

Prof. Henry G. Blaisdell of Concord, N. H., a noted oratorio and choral conductor was present and addressed the meeting. He said:

"I am willing to demonstrate to you that Lowell is still good musical soil and will give of my best efforts in the instruments and choral line. I feel well assured of the former, but want the hearty co-operation of every singer in Lowell and vicinity to make sure of the latter."

Hon. George A. Marden pledged his best efforts to make the proposed organization a success.

Mrs. Julia Talbot was present at the outset of the meeting and promised the support of the leading social people of the city. Others who spoke in favor were Rev. Thomas Doeiger, Mr. Henri Lavigne, Mr. Lionel Mellach and Mr. Edward Green.

The first rehearsal and meeting is called for next Thursday evening, Jan. 5, at 8 o'clock sharp in Odd Fellows' banquet hall on Middlesex street, and every singer in Lowell and suburbs is invited without further notice. The standard choruses will be taken up, "Unfold Ye Portals" and "Lovely Appear" from Gounod's oratorio, "The Redemption," the "Hallelujah" chorus from the "Messiah," and "The Heavens Declare," by Eichberg. All singers who have copies should bring them.

DANCING PARTY

UNDER AUSPICES OF NEWPORT SOCIAL CLUB.

The second annual dancing assembly of the popular Newport Social Club in Associate hall last evening was a grand social success. The music for the dancing was by Kittredge's orchestra.

The success of the affair was due to the following efficient committee arrangements: President, D... Hanlan; general manager, ... Wilson; assistant general manager, ... Farrell; treasurer, James ... director, C. W. Royer; ... director, Edward Norton. They were ably assisted by the following aids: Daniel O'Connell, ... non, James Gafferny, ... James McWilliams, W... Williams.

HELD IN $500

MAN WAS ACCUSED OF FRAUD.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—... in the house of correction ... tence imposed by Judge ... Cambridge court yesterday ... liam H. Ford of Cha... ing and abetting illegal ... bridge at the last ... He appealed and was ... the grand jury.

Ford is alleged to have ... eral Boston men to ... for McNamee on ... nished them on cat... John J. Kelleher, ... and William Kemmer ... sentences of nine months in the House of correction for the offense.

WHIPPING POST

GRAND JURY SAYS IT IS A GOOD ...

WASHINGTON, ... grand jury, in making ... for the present term ... court for the district ... terday recommended ... of the whipping post.

The question has been agitated ever since the last annual message ... poral punishment for ... the district of Columbia ... mendation of the grand ... lows:

"The desirability of ... whipping post as a means ... wife beaters and petty ... has been investigated ... and the majority of the ... of the opinion that it would ... effective in decreasing the ... these reprehensible crimes.

A recommendation that ... to be married produce ev... dom from certain diseases ...

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Star of Lowell Circle, No. ... panions of the Forest, held ... tended meeting last night. The ... tion of officers was the all ... event of the evening, the following selected to fill the chairs ... the ensuing term: Chief ... Sarah Clark; sub-chief ... Mrs. Moirs; financial secretary ... J. Markham; treasurer, Mr. ... recording secretary, Estha ... right guide, Mary Dacey; ... Mrs. Dewire; inside guard, ... sell; outside guard, Arthur ...

Following the meeting ... repaired to the dance hall ... social dance was enjoyed ... night under the direction ... lowing corps of efficient dir... general manager, Sarah Clark; ... general manager, Maria J. ... floor director, Katie Russell; ... floor director, Mrs. Moirs; ... Mrs. Dewire, Mrs. Linesey, Mr. ... Miss Georgehegan, Miss ... and Miss Halloran.

Division 1, A. O. H., held a well attended meeting last night. There were five propositions for members and four initiations. The following ... recently elected were installed: President, John Kinsella; vice president, John J. Tully; recording ... Patrick Connelly; financial secretary, William Nelson; treasurer, J... ey; physician, Dr. Cassidy.

The meeting of Passaconaway ... No. 32, Improved Order of ... was largely attended, the ... of the chiefs being an incentive ... members to turn out in large ...

The following named were ... Prophet, Frank Riney; sachem, ... Glen Hurd; senior sagamore, ... Gray; junior sagamore, Char... tin; chief of records, Arthur ... land; keeper of wampum, E... Goward; collector of wampum, ... N. Leach; trustee of wampum, ... Howarth; official press correspondent, James H. Hickey.

A communication was received from Quanhapowitt Tribe, No. 50, of ... ing, stating that all arrangements have been made to give the brothers of this tribe a great blow-out Jan. ...

Under the head of good of the order interesting remarks were made by the chiefs-elect, the great junior sachem, O. A. Libby and visiting brothers. At the close of the council the ... and a social time was enjoyed.

BAD BOOK AGENT

Uses Ministers' Names to Help Him Out

The Lowell public are warned to look out for a trickster book agent who uses the name of certain clergymen in order to sell his books. The police have a fairly good description of the man and it is up to him to shake the dust of Lowell from his feet. He offers a series of publications on American ... not only will he use the name of the minister in the parish where he operates but, when he sees the prospects of immediate sale are a bit dark, he will ask the lady to keep the books and look them over.

The ... can't see any harm in keeping the books for a few days. She thinks perhaps her husband would like the books and she tells the agent that he may leave them. That gentleman is very polished and with the air of a drink tea favorite he asks the lady to sign a receipt, "a mere matter of form," he says, and when hubby arrives in the evening he discovers that he has not a bona-fide contract to subscribe for the entire publication and the price named is about $60.

The attention of one clergyman was called to the book agent's game yesterday afternoon when two men called at his home. One of the women said that on Tuesday a man representing himself as an agent of a publishing company, leaving a series of publications, called at her house and endeavored to induce her to order the set. The payments were to be made on the installment plan on the receipt of each book.

The woman explained to the so-called agent that she liked the works but that she would not buy them until she had consulted her husband. The agent ... vently tried to make a sale but, unsuccessful, finally asked the woman if she would allow him to leave the books with her in order that her husband might see them in the evening.

The woman after some hesitation, told the agent that he might leave the books and in doing so was asked by ... if any objection to signing a receipt stating that the books were in her care. The woman ... suspecting any trickery readily ... The paper was signed, the ... one slip and giving the ... in a moment.

The woman's husband came ... him of the transaction, ... to see the slip of paper ... had left. On viewing ... at a glance to see that his ... had signed a bona-fide contract ... the publication.

... explained that when the ... upon her he said that ... commended by the minister ... possible the entire set to ...

21ST ANNIVERSARY

COURT MIDDLESEX ... OF A.

The ... anniversary of Court Middlesex ... was observed last night in ... with a concert and dance. ... of their friends turned ... of about 300 and a fine ... during the evening. A ... was carried out be... o'clock by Hibbard's ... which dancing was en...

... of the affair and ... the grand success ... follows:

... John H. Condon, C. ... manager, Patrick ... floor director, James ... director, Thomas ... Frank J. Jeffers, B. ... treasurer; Thom... Frank J. Camp... Farley, trustee; ... Hugh J. Gal... J. Gilely, Joseph ... Ward, Harvey E. ... James J. Ward, ... Earl R. Kinney, ... Arnold M. Meehan, ... Charles Connors, P. ... P. C. R.; John ... John Slack, P. C. ... D.; Frank Brick, ... J. W.; John ... Rock, James ... James J. ... Rock, James J. ... John J. Sul... Austin F. Kel... Michael Court... Arthur Moran, ... Higgins, Hugh ... Dermott, James ... retary of com...

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LOST LONG GREEN

Landscape Gardener Says He Was Robbed

Robbed of $175 and not knowing how or where, was the predicament in which Alexander Moulton, a landscape gardener in the employ of Harvey W. Tarbell, found himself last evening.

Moulton was under the influence, the police say, of strong drink or drugs and his first statement was that he had been waylaid and robbed at the corner of Lakeview avenue and West street. Later on, however, he said he wasn't sure that his original statement was based on facts and he could offer the police but little assistance in ferreting out the alleged loss of the $175. Tarbell lives at the corner of Reed and Fifth streets and it was to Officer Clancy that the landscape gardener first told his story. Officer Clancy didn't think that the story held water and he sent Mr. Moulton to the police station for further treatment. After trying in vain to get something tangible from the man the police sent him home. He did not show any evidence of hard usage and the police think the story of his loss is a myth.

This is the time to buy flour. Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

BIG "BILL" REID

Will Take up Harvard Football Matters

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 31.—It was learned here yesterday that Mr. W. T. Reid, Jr., who several years ago coached the Harvard football team, has left for the east.

Friends of his in Belmont, which is a few miles from here, where he has been a teacher in his father's private fitting school since his graduation at Harvard, say that he has been considering for some time a proposition from the football authorities at Cambridge, Mass., to take charge of the coaching there next fall.

He decided that he could not get from letters a satisfactory idea of the conditions there, and so has suddenly and unexpectedly taken the train for Boston, where he will arrive early in the week.

He will be in the east only a few days, as he wants to get back here for his work very soon after the Christmas vacation is over.

He has told his friends that while he is in Boston he will probably decide whether he will take charge of the Harvard football team next fall.

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Dr. J. B. Waggoner, of Chicago, Ill., says: "I can most heartily recommend your Castoria to the public as a remedy for children's complaints. I have tried it and found it of great value."

Dr. Edward Parrish, of Brooklyn, N. Y., says: "I have used your Castoria in my own household with good results, and have advised several patients to use it for its mild laxative effect and freedom from harm."

Dr. J. R. Elliott, of New York City, says: "Having during the past six years prescribed your Castoria for infantile stomach disorders, I most heartily commend its use. The formula contains nothing deleterious to the most delicate of children."

Dr. C. G. Sprague, of Omaha, Neb., says: "Your Castoria is an ideal medicine for children, and I frequently prescribe it. While I do not advocate the indiscriminate use of proprietary medicines, yet Castoria is an exception for conditions which arise in the care of children."

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Dr. H. F. Merrill, of Augusta, Me., says: "Castoria is one of the very finest and most remarkable remedies for infants and children. In my opinion your Castoria has saved thousands from an early grave. I can furnish hundreds of testimonials from this locality as to its efficiency and merits."

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Dr. F. H. Kyle, of St. Paul, Minn., says: "It affords me pleasure to add my name to the long list of those who have used and endorse your Castoria. The fact of the ingredients being known through the listing of the formula on the wrapper is one good and sufficient reason for the recommendation of any physician. I know of its good qualities and recommend it cheerfully."

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Sundays, 8.45 a. m.

From Middlesex St.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5.48	6.50	6.00	7.04
*6.28	7.40	6.50	7.26
6.39	7.30	7.34	8.44
6.49	7.53	8.25	9.01
7.01	8.02	9.00	9.37
7.24	8.10	10.00	10.37
7.31	8.50	10.17	11.24
7.48	8.33	11.30	12.07
7.59	10.05	12.00	12.56
8.57	9.40	1.00	1.37
9.33	10.19	2.00	3.01
11.03	12.00	3.00	3.37
11.43	12.24	3.47	5.00
12.14	1.00	4.14	5.20
1.44	2.00	5.00	6.37
2.56	2.29	5.38	6.25
3.47	4.30	5.47	6.54
4.23	5.20	6.14	7.30
5.22	6.15	7.30	8.08
5.49	7.00	8.30	9.09
6.32	6.56	10.30	11.34
7.49	8.10	11.30	12.21

WESTERN DIV.
From Middlesex St.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6.30	7.55	7.30	8.31
8.00	8.54	9.25	10.31
9.25	10.33	10.45	11.40
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.05
12.05	1.20	2.15	3.20
12.50	2.00	3.50	4.50
2.30	3.33	4.50	5.49
3.10	4.03	6.01	7.09
3.55	5.00	6.35	7.45
5.06	6.40	9.40	10.35
6.15	7.10	*11.15	12.13
7.00	8.00		
9.30	10.28		

* Runs to Lowell Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

SUNDAY TRAINS
WESTERN DIVISION

8.15	9.25	8.00	9.1
12.10	1.20	12.00	1.00
3.35	4.50	5.05	6.25
5.32	6.53		
8.03	9.00		

SOUTHERN DIVISION

6.38	7.30	9.00	10.00
7.24	8.10		
8.48	9.49	11.30	12.07
9.20	10.16	1.00	1.37
2.25	3.27	5.00	5.59
		7.30	8.08
6.2.	7.03	8.30	9.08
		9.00	10.02

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PERSONALS

Miss Mary O'Connell is spending the holidays in Brookline. Thursday evening she attended the coming-out party given by Mrs. James Sullivan of Newton in honor of her daughter Margaret Louise.

Miss Edith Carter, Miss Ruth Carter, Miss Anna Fels, Miss Mary Munn, Miss Maria Bill, Miss Alice Hill, Miss Mary Reilly and the Misses Shaw are to manage the subscription party at the Vesper boat house tonight.

Mr. William L. Spalding, one of the Lowell students at Tech, gave a skating party at Island pond yesterday afternoon, followed by a supper at his camp there.

Mr. Henry Whittier and two of his children are seriously ill in Chattahoochee, Ga., where they have made their home for several years. The family has been stricken with typhoid fever.

The Bachelor Girls' club is to give a dance at the Highland club, on January 18. Miss Ellen M. Weaver is to be general manager and the affair promises to be very successful.

Miss Christina Courtney of Haverhill is the guest of the Misses Courtney of Chestnut street.

Mr. Isaac F. Scripture of Central street was removed to the Lowell General hospital recently suffering from a general breakdown of his system.

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HEAVY DEFICIT

U. S. Treasury is Shy About $22,000,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The United States treasury receipts for the calendar year 1904 were $540,000,000 and the expenditures (including the Panama payments) $562,000,000—a deficit for the year of $22,000,000. As compared with the previous calendar year, the receipts show a falling off of $8,000,000 and the expenditures an increase of $50,000,0000. The decrease in the receipts is accounted for by a decrease of $9,000,000 in the customs revenues. The increase in expenditures is subdivided as follows:

Civil and miscellaneous expenditures, $15,000,000; expenditures of the war department, $9,000,000; expenditures of the navy department, $1,000,000; expenditures of the interior department, $2,000,000; pensions, $2,000,000; interest, $1,000,000.

The increase in interest is due to the fact that a portion of the interest of 1903 was anticipated in 1902. The figures do not include the postal receipts and expenditures, except that the postal deficit is included in the civil and miscellaneous expenditures.

The summary of foreign commerce published by the bureau of statistics throws light on the cause of the decrease in customs revenues. The figures of the bureau cover the first 11 months of the calendar year 1904: Imports for 11 months, 1904, $939,000,000; imports for the same period, 1903, $917,000,000; increase, $22,000,000. Imports free of duty, for the same period, increased $42,000,000, while dutiable imports decreased $20,000,000. In 1903 43½ per cent of the imports were free of duty, while in 1904 47 per cent. were free of duty, and in November, 1904, 40 per cent. were free of duty. Practically the entire increase in free imports was in three articles—coffee, India rubber and raw silk. Although dutiable imports decreased $20,000,000, raw sugar and wool show increases aggregating $28,000,000. All other dutiable imports decreased nearly $50,000,000. Of this decrease $20,000,000 was in iron and steel.

Other noteworthy features of the treasury transactions in 1904 were the payment, out of accumulated surplus, of $50,000,000 for the right of way of the Panama canal; the redemption of the outstanding 5 per cent. bonds, due Feb. 1, 1904, and the various calls on the national bank depositories for the return of a portion of their public deposits. The redemption of 5s during the calendar year was approximately $6,000,000. Public funds on deposit with the banks were reduced from $166,000,000, Jan. 1, 1904, to $113,000,000, at the close of the year. The calls on the banks, to mature early in 1905, will further reduce these deposits and replenish the cash in the general fund of the treasury to the extent of about $23,000,000.

The cash in the treasury, exclusive of the gold reserve and gold and silver coin held against outstanding certificates, was $320,000,000 on Jan. 1, 1904. At the close of the year it was $240,000,000—a decrease of $80,000,000 for the year. The Panama payment accounts for $50,000,000 of this decrease. The redemption of the 5s of 1904 and national bank note redemption accounts for $10,000,000 more. The balance is due to the deficit incurred in carrying on the ordinary operations of the government.

For the first six months of the current fiscal year the deficit is approximately $22,000,000. The balance of the year will probably reduce rather than increase the deficit. Receipts show a tendency to increase. The greater part of the postal deficiency for this fiscal year has already been met, and the expenditure for various kinds of public works will be less for the next six months than for the six months just closed. Nearly $10,000,000 was disbursed in the last half of the last fiscal year on account of the Louisiana purchase exposition—an expenditure which will not be repeated during the present year.

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FIREMAN KILLED

Wall of a Car Shop Collapsed

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Two firemen were killed, two other and one specialtor were injured by the falling of a portion of the wall in the West Side car shop fire early today.

The dead are:

CAPTAIN PAUL DICK.
LIEUT. JOHN [illegible].

The injured:

Charles Anderson, fireman, cut on face and hands, and legs bruised.

Captain John Miller, [illegible] crushed about body, and cuts on head.

August [illegible] severely hurt about shoulders.

GENERAL PORTER

Asked to be Relieved as Ambassador

PARIS, Dec. 31.—[illegible] reports [illegible] Ambassador Porter [illegible] American [illegible] in the following [illegible] General [illegible] Paris [illegible] to New York [illegible] children [illegible] that require his [illegible] spend 25 years [illegible] government, including [illegible] in charge of the embassy at Paris, [illegible] anxious to serve a period of [illegible] his own country."

NAVY YARD FIRES

TWO VESSELS TO BE TOWED TO GREAT DRY DOCK.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—[illegible] of [illegible] hand [illegible] depa[illegible] ment [illegible] fires [illegible] Island [illegible] to destro[illegible] of [illegible]

The [illegible] which an hour ago each of [illegible] on the platform of a towing woodcarriage on the bank to the west of the dry dock. The crane, [illegible] feet high was saved by a party of marines [illegible] climbed up the blazing structure and fought the flames at close range. A thorough investigation will be made.

NEW COMET

DISCOVERED BY OBSERVATORY AT KIEL.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The naval observatory here was notified last night by [illegible] in Kiel, Germany, of the discovery of a comet by Borelly at Marseilles. Its ascension was [illegible] 14 minutes [illegible] declination 16 [illegible] no minutes. The comet was [illegible]ately lo[illegible] and observed by Messrs. [illegible] and Wright, of the naval observatory staff. Observations will be continued on every clear night.

At All Times
IN THE
year th[illegible] have endeavored to do [illegible] When we gave to [illegible] received [illegible] thought has been not how [illegible] job to make an extra [illegible] have good a job as we do.
If at [illegible] we have failed we say [illegible] done [illegible] our power to make matters [illegible]
In 190[illegible] [illegible] still better [illegible] satisfie[illegible]
We [illegible]
Our [illegible] Blankets are the best th[illegible]
Our [illegible] are the best.
We [illegible] of our [illegible] Boston [illegible]
Our [illegible] experts [illegible] their work speedily [illegible]
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LOSS IS $500,000

Great Building in Chicago Destroyed by Fire

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—A fire which destroyed $500,000 worth of property in West Van Buren street today started on the second floor of the seven-story brick building occupied by the Cash Buyers' union. The building was entirely destroyed.

Spreading rapidly the flames assumed large proportions, forcing the whole [illegible] to a second attempt was [illegible] by a series of explosions for adjacent [illegible] appeared. When the [illegible] in the burning building [illegible] company, a four story structure, the firemen were ordered to the roofs of adjacent buildings to fight the flames. Within a few minutes the flames had gutted the structure and had spread to the Boston Rubber Paint company. Then the flames, reaching the brick walls of the building, spread to 160-162 West Van Buren street, causing heavy damage to the Peninsular Stove company, which had occupied the seven floors.

So fierce did the blaze become that burning sparks, carried by a high gale, were driven far over the district and buildings [illegible] away, causing some [illegible] alarm. [illegible] that was heard for miles, an explosion in the basement of the Cash Buyers' union building [illegible] street and sidewalks, [illegible] into the air and tear[illegible] of the Van Buren street [illegible] down. Fortunately [illegible] the firemen was injured. Crashing through the frail walls of the [illegible] adjoining, the towering walls of the Peninsular Stove company and those of the Cash Buyers' union tottered and collapsed. A series of small explosions followed the fall of the walls.

A two story frame dwelling at 166-168 West Van Buren street, occupied as a rooming house, was crushed like a shell by the falling walls. The inmates had been awakened earlier and escaped to the streets, but were unable to save any of their clothing. The stables occupied by the Fortune Brothers' Brewing company were gutted. The horses were saved.

There was a small panic on the Metropolitan elevated railway when the motormen rushed their cars through the smoke. Passengers attempted to get out but were held in check by the guards. When the explosion occurred the windows in the residences across the street were shattered and chimneys were thrown down. Firemen who were in the half-falling walls escaped death by leaping into a hole that was being dug at the side of a frame building.

Search is being made for the body of the night watchman of the Cash Buyers' union. He is believed to have reentered the burning building after giving the alarm. He has not been seen since. The fire is pronounced by Chief Campton to have made a more rapid headway than any in his experience since the great fire of 1871. The principal losses are:

162-164 West Van Buren street, seven story brick building, $75,000; Peninsular Stove company, $200,000; 158-160 Van Buren street, seven story brick building, $75,000; Cash Buyers' First National Co-operative society, $100,000; 154-156 West Van Buren street, five story brick building, $50,000; Rubber Paint Co., $40,000; Zeno Mfg. Co., $20,000.

Losses on other buildings in the vicinity range from $500 to $3000.

CHURCH DYNAMITED

Police are Searching Houses for Anarchists

BERLIN, Dec. 31.—A letter to the Lokal Anzeiger from Cracow, describes the attack recently made with dynamite on the Russian church at Ruzom, Russian Poland. The church walls and the graves were destroyed. A military force surrounded all the public buildings in the place within an hour and a crowd numbering 1600 persons gathered in the scene singing revolutionary songs. A red flag was hoisted and cries were heard of "Long live independent Poland."

Pistols were fired and presently a military force appeared under the command of Colonel Buletoff, who rushed in a state of excitement from the officers' club and immediately ordered the troops to fire on the crowd. A working man shot the colonel dead and the adjutants bayonetted the assassin and then brained him with the butts of their rifles. Many persons were wounded and numerous arrests were made. Order was finally restored toward morning.

At Lodz and other towns troops guard the churches to prevent their desecration.

A dispatch to the Lokal Anzeiger from Czaestochown Russian Poland, where a monument to Emperor Alexander II was recently destroyed by dynamite, says the trouble there continues and the police are searching houses at night for anarchists.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY

Man Killed His Brother and Himself

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 31.—A special to the Constitution, from Ozark, Ala., says:

A double tragedy occurred at Midland City in the eastern part of this county, Friday. Arch Pope and Jesse Pope, brothers, had a heated discussion and disagreement over a line fence and the former shot and killed his brother. Archu Pope then went home and committed suicide by taking strychnine.

The brothers were among the most prominent people of southeastern Alabama. Both men leave families.

SENATOR MITCHELL

DENIES ACCUSERS TO PROVE WRONG ACT.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 31.—Senator John H. Mitchell, who came to Portland to appear before the federal grand jury in connection with the land frauds investigations which are being prosecuted by the federal government, has left for Washington, D. C.

Senator Mitchell in an interview just before his departure said that he could see no reason why he should remain in Portland longer and thought his public duties in Washington demanded his presence in the capital city.

Senator Mitchell in a written statement to the press said:

"I defy my accusers. I have lived in this state over 44 years. I have served in the United States senate and I defy any move to charge me successfully with any conduct that is otherwise than honorable. I am sure I cannot be connected in any way with any land fraud except by the grossest perjury of self-confessed and convicted thieves and perjurers."

CAR DISABLED

AXLE OF ANDOVER STREET CAR BROKE.

One of the small electric cars used on the Andover route met with an accident this morning at the corner of East Merrimack and High streets. It was the first car to go over the line this morning, and just after reaching the top of the hill the front axle broke, allowing the body of the car to drop to the ground.

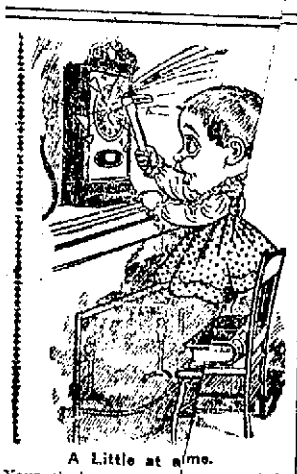
Word was telephoned to the square and another car was sent to the scene of the accident to assist it to the depot. With the assistance of a beam and several chains the car was brought to the "dead" rail in Bridge street and then to the power house for repairs.

A NEW ALLIANCE

Between England and America Rumored

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 31.—The Russian papers are discussing the British and Continental reports of an alleged Anglo-American alliance but consider that they have no solid foundation and represent more British anxiety to have it appear that such an alliance is in prospect than the purpose of the United States to abandon her traditional policy which renders a lasting agreement impossible, but the papers say it may be that a temporary truce is being glorified as an alliance for political purposes to strengthen Japan and intimidate Russia. They added that the European press seems to have taken the matter seriously and become alarmed but that Russia will not be intimidated. One paper remarks:

"It is a touching sight to see Jonathan stretching across the seas to John but both indulge in Mephistopheles laughter, which seems to have escaped European observers."



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RUSSIAN OFFICER

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MUKDEN, Dec. 31.—Nemirovich Danchenko, the famous Russian war correspondent who has just returned from an inspection of the quarters occupied by the Russian officers and privates at the front, says:

"One could hardly imagine a greater contrast than that afforded by the hungry, tired army that settled down here after the battle of Liao Yang and the army now resting south of Mukden. The men live in dugouts but most of the officers' huts are above ground. Aside from the fact that there are only five officers to a hut and that the latter contain more decorations there is little differences between the men's and the officers' quarters. Everybody is well fed and comfortable. The dugouts are all shell-proof and each has a stove with sleeping ledges around the sides. The men are provided with bedding, warm underwear, mostly of Chinese manufacture and better Chinese boots than can be bought in Russia. Bath houses are provided, one for the officers and one for the men of each company. The water is heated twice weekly, the separate laundry houses are always supplied with hot water and there is no dampness in the buildings set apart for the washing and drying of clothes or in the living quarters. The officers and men partake of the same fare, which is distributed twice daily in big coppers from the camp kitchen. A ration consists of a pound of meat and two and a half pounds of bread, with tea twice daily. There are short rations of sugar, but the only shortages observable are sugar, leather, sewing materials and reading matter. Every one would appreciate books and papers. Every printed sheet is read, even the advertisements. The postal facilities are poor. Most of the officers have not heard from European Russia for a long time. Since the wires have been reserved for military and press use private telegrams have all been forwarded by mail from Irkutsk.

"There is little sickness owing to the care taken with drinking water. There is a guard at each well. Some people have been compelled to use water from the Shakhe river, which goes to the banks unarmed. By a general truce protecting parties of both sides and much [illegible] between Russians and Japanese is hanged across the river.

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